

Introduction to Neutrosophic Automata

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Fuzzy Logic

- logic of **graded truth** or **intermediate truth**
- provides a way to express subtle nuances in reasoning
- successful in modeling uncertainty

The original Zadeh's definition of a fuzzy set is:

- **fuzzy subset** of a set A is a function $\mu : A \rightarrow [0, 1]$, where $[0, 1]$ is the real unit closed interval.
- For $x \in A$, the membership degree $\mu_A(x)$ is interpreted as the degree of satisfaction of elements to the property corresponding to the collection.
- if $\mu_A(x)$ takes values only in the set $\{0, 1\}$, then it is treated as the ordinary **crisp subset** of A .

Interval-valued Fuzzy Sets¹(IVFS)

IVFS represent the membership degrees with interval values in $[0,1]$ in order to reflect the uncertainty in assigning membership degrees.

An IVF set A is formally defined by membership functions of the form

$$A = \left\{ \left(x, \left[\mu_A^l(x), \mu_A^r(x) \right] \right) \mid x \in X \right\}, \quad \mu_A^l(x), \mu_A^r(x) \in [0, 1].$$

Basic Operations:

$$\mu_{A \cup B}(x) = [\mu_{A \cup B}^l(x), \mu_{A \cup B}^r(x)] = \begin{cases} \mu_{A \cup B}^l(x) = \max\{\mu_A^l(x), \mu_B^l(x)\} \\ \mu_{A \cup B}^r(x) = \max\{\mu_A^r(x), \mu_B^r(x)\} \end{cases}$$

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$$\mu_{\bar{A}}(x) = [\mu_{\bar{A}}^l(x), \mu_{\bar{A}}^r(x)] = \begin{cases} \mu_{\bar{A}}^l(x) = 1 - \mu_A^r(x) \\ \mu_{\bar{A}}^r(x) = 1 - \mu_A^l(x) \end{cases}$$

¹L.Zadeh. The concept of a linguistic variable and its application to approximate reasoning. Part 1. *Information Science*, 8 (1975), 199-249.

Intuitionistic Fuzzy Sets²(IFS)

IFS represent the membership degrees that are a pair of membership degree and non-membership degree.

An IFS set A is formally defined by membership functions of the form

For every $x \in X$, $0 \leq \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$,

$$A = \{(x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x)) \mid x \in X\}, \quad \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \in [0, 1].$$

- The amount

$$\pi_A(x) = 1 - (\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x))$$

is called the hesitation part or intuitionistic index, which may cater to either membership degree or non-membership degree.

- It means that the IFS are a representation to express the uncertainty in assigning membership degrees to elements.

²K.T.Atanassov. Intuitionistic fuzzy sets, *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 20 (1986), 87-96.

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$$\bar{A} = \{(x, \mu_{\bar{A}}(x), \nu_{\bar{A}}(x)) \mid x \in X\} = \begin{cases} \mu_{\bar{A}}(x) = \nu_A(x) \\ \nu_{\bar{A}}(x) = \mu_A(x) \end{cases}$$

Bipolar Fuzzy Sets³(BFS)

- BFS represent the membership degrees (MD) ranges from the interval $[-1,1]$ which is extended from $[0,1]$.
- MD: $\mu_A(x) \in (0, 1]$ – elements somewhat satisfy the property.
- MD: $\mu_A(x) = 0$ – elements are irrelevant to the corresponding property.
- MD: $\mu_A(x) \in [-1, 0)$ – elements somewhat satisfy the implicit counter-property.
- Two kinds of representation: canonical and reduced.

³Wen-Ran Zhang, Bipolar fuzzy sets and relations: a computational framework for cognitive modeling and multiagent decision analysis, NAFIPS/IFIS/NASA '94. San Antonio, TX, USA, 1994, 305-309.

Bipolar Fuzzy Sets (BFS)

Canonical Representation

Membership degrees are expressed with a pair of a positive membership value in $[0,1]$ and a negative membership value in $[-1,0]$.

$$A = \{(x, (\mu_A^P(x), \mu_A^N(x))) | x \in X\}$$

where

$$\mu_A^P(x) : X \rightarrow [0, 1] \quad \mu_A^N(x) : X \rightarrow [-1, 0]$$

Remarks:

- $\mu_A^P(x) \neq 0$ and $\mu_A^N(x) = 0$ – positive satisfaction.
- $\mu_A^P(x) = 0$ and $\mu_A^N(x) \neq 0$ – satisfies counter-property.
- $\mu_A^P(x) \neq 0$ and $\mu_A^N(x) \neq 0$ – overlaps property

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Bipolar Fuzzy Sets (BFS)

Reduced Representation

Membership degrees are presented with a value in $[-1,1]$.

$$A = \{(x, \mu^{\mathbb{R}}(x)) | x \in X\} \quad \mu_A^{\mathbb{R}} : X \rightarrow [-1, 1]$$

Member degree:

$$\mu_A^{\mathbb{R}}(x) = \begin{cases} \mu_A^P(x) & \text{if } \mu_A^N(x) = 0 \\ \mu_A^N(x) & \text{if } \mu_A^P(x) = 0 \\ f(\mu_A^P(x), \mu_A^N(x)) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $f(\mu_A^P(x), \mu_A^N(x))$ is an aggregation function to merge a pair of positive and negative membership values into a value.

IVFS vs. IFS

- IFS can be regarded as another expression for IVFS.
- Deduce the basic operations of IVFS and IFS have the same roles, by using the boundary values of IVFS such as

$$\mu_A^l(x) = \mu_A(x) \text{ and } \mu_A^r(x) = 1 - \nu_A(x)$$

- IVFS and IFS have the same expressive power and the same basic set operations.
- The intuitionistic fuzzy set representation is useful when there are some uncertainties in assigning membership degrees.

IFS vs. BFS

We can compare BFS with IFS under the conditions

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Both BFS and IFS are the different extensions of fuzzy sets, since a **counter**-property is not usually equivalent to **not**-property of A .

IVFS vs. IFS vs. BFS

Element x with membership value $(0,0)$

- In BFS, element x does not satisfy both the property and counter-property of BFS which means that it is **indifferent** or **neutral**.
 - In IFS, element x does not satisfy both the property and not-property.
 - In IVFS, element with the mv $(0,0)$ in IFS has the mv $[0,1]$ in IVFS which means that no knowledge about the element.
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- The IFS representation is useful when there are some uncertainties in assigning membership degrees.
 - The BFS representation is useful when irrelevant elements and contrary elements are needed to be discriminated.

Example: Fuzzy concept *frog's prey*

- IVFS for frog's prey:

$$\text{frog's prey} = \{(mosquito, [1, 1]), (dragon\ fly, [0.4, 0.7]), (turtle, [0, 0]), (snake, [0, 0])\}$$

- IFS for frog's prey:

$$\text{frog's prey} = \{(mosquito, 1, 0), (dragon\ fly, 0.4, 0.3), (turtle, 0, 1), (snake, 0, 1)\}$$

- BFS for frog's prey:

$$\text{frog's prey} = \{(mosquito, 1, 0), (dragon\ fly, 0.4, 0), (turtle, 0, 0), (snake, 0, -1)\}$$

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For example, if you fight with a man (so you both are the opposites to each other), but neutral people around both of you (especially the police) interfere to reconcile both of you.

Characterisation of Neutrosophic Sets

A neutrosophic set is characterised by

- $\prec A \succ$ – a truth-membership function (T)
- $\prec \text{anti-}A \succ$ (the opposite of $\prec A \succ$) – an indeterminacy-membership function (I)
- $\prec \text{neut-}A \succ$ (the neutral between $\prec A \succ$ and $\prec \text{anti-}A \succ$) interact among themselves – a falsity-membership function (F)

where T, I, F are subsets of the unit interval $[0,1]$.

- If T, I, F are crisp numbers in $[0,1]$, then we have a single-valued neutrosophic set.
- If T, I, F are intervals included in $[0,1]$, then we have an interval-valued neutrosophic set.

Neutrosophic logic introduces a percentage of "indeterminacy" due to unexpected parameters hidden in some propositions.

Definition

Let X be a universe of discourse and $A \subseteq X$. The neutrosophic set is an object having the form

$$A = \{ \prec x, T(x), I(x), F(x) \succ \mid \forall x \in X \}$$

where the functions can be defined by

$$T, I, F : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

with the condition

$$0 \leq T(x) + I(x) + F(x) \leq 3.$$

⁴Smarandache, F. (1999). *A unifying field in logics: Neutrosophy, neutrosophic probability, set and logic*. Rehoboth, VA: American Research Press. 

Overview of Fuzzy Automata

Concept of fuzzy automata

- natural generalization of the concept of non-deterministic automata

Močkoř, Bělohlávek, Li and Pedrycz

- **Močkoř**-fuzzy automata represented as nested systems of non-deterministic automata
- **Bělohlávek**-deterministic automata with fuzzy sets of final states represented as nested systems of deterministic automata
- **Li and Pedrycz**-fuzzy automata represented as automata with fuzzy transition relations taking membership values in a lattice ordered monoid

Non-deterministic automaton

- a tuple $\mathcal{A} = (A, X, \delta, \sigma, \tau)$

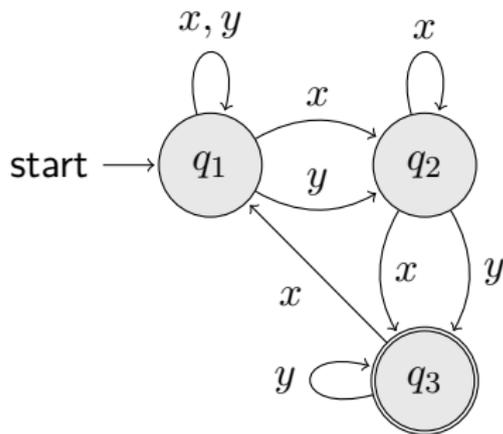
$A \neq \emptyset$ - set of states, $X \neq \emptyset$ - input alphabet

$\delta \subseteq A \times X \times A$ ($\delta_x \subseteq A \times A$) - transition relation

$(a, x, b) \in \delta \Leftrightarrow (a, b) \in \delta_x$, for all $a, b \in A, x \in X$

$\sigma \subseteq A, \tau \subset A$ - sets of initial and terminal states

Transition relations, sets of initial and terminal states



- represented by Boolean matrices and vectors:

$$\delta_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \delta_y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tau = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Fuzzy Automaton

- 6-tuple $\mathcal{A} = (Q, \Sigma, \delta, R, Z, \omega)$

Q is a finite set of states, $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n\}$.

Σ is a finite set of input symbols, $\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$.

$R \in Q$ is the (possibly fuzzy) start state of Q .

Z is a finite set of output symbols, $Z = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k\}$.

$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \times Q \rightarrow (0, 1]$ - fuzzy transition function

$\omega : Q \rightarrow Z$ - is the output function which is used to map a (fuzzy) state to the output set.

- associated with each fuzzy transition, there is a membership value in $(0, 1]$, i.e. the weight of the transition.
- the transition from state q_i to state q_j upon input a_k is denoted by $\delta(q_i, a_k, q_j)$.

Neutrosophic Automata

- Tahir & Khan, 2016
 - the interval neutrosophic finite switchboard state machine
- Tahir, 2018
 - concepts of single-valued neutrosophic finite state machine and switchboard state machine
- Kavikumar et al, 2019
 - concepts of neutrosophic general fuzzy automata and neutrosophic general switchboard automata
- Kavikumar et al, 2020
 - concept of distinguishability and inverse of neutrosophic finite automata

Neutrosophic Automata

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- 5-tuple $\mathcal{N} = (Q, \Sigma, Z, \delta, \sigma)$

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Σ is a finite set of input symbols, $\Sigma = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$.

Z is a finite set of output symbols, $Z = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$.

δ is a neutrosophic subset of $Q \times \Sigma \times Q$ which represents neutrosophic transition function.

σ is a neutrosophic subset of $Q \times \Sigma \times Z$ which represents neutrosophic output function.

Neutrosophic Automata

Neutrosophic Automaton: Neutrosophic Transition Function

$$\delta = \langle \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3 \rangle$$

is a neutrosophic subset of $Q \times \Sigma \times Q$ such that the neutrosophic transition function

$$\delta : Q \times \Sigma \times Q \rightarrow [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

is defined as follows: $\forall q_i, q_j \in Q$ and $x_1, x_2 \in \Sigma$,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1(q_i, \Lambda, q_j) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } q_i = q_j \\ 0 & \text{if } q_i \neq q_j \end{cases} \\ \delta_2(q_i, \Lambda, q_j) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } q_i = q_j \\ 1 & \text{if } q_i \neq q_j \end{cases} \\ \delta_3(q_i, \Lambda, q_j) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } q_i = q_j \\ 1 & \text{if } q_i \neq q_j \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Neutrosophic Automaton: Neutrosophic Transition Function

$$\delta_1(q_i, x_1x_2, q_j) = \bigvee_{r \in Q} \{\delta_1(q_i, x_1, r) \wedge \delta_1(r, x_2, q_j)\}$$

$$\delta_2(q_i, x_1x_2, q_j) = \bigwedge_{r \in Q} \{\delta_2(q_i, x_1, r) \vee \delta_2(r, x_2, q_j)\}$$

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Neutrosophic Automata

Neutrosophic Automaton: Neutrosophic Output Function

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$$\sigma : Q \times \Sigma \times Z \rightarrow L \times L \times L$$

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Distinguishable

$\mathcal{N} = (Q, \Sigma, Z, \delta, \sigma)$ and $\mathcal{N}' = (Q', \Sigma', Z, \delta', \sigma')$ be a neutrosophic finite automata.

a pair of states (q, q') is **indistinguishable** if

$$\sigma(q, x, y) = \sigma'(q', x', y')$$

for every $q_i \in Q$, $q'_i \in Q'$ and for all $x \in \Sigma$, $y \in Z$.

State $q \in Q$ is said to be **rational**

When the inputs $\{x_n\} \in \Sigma$ are ultimately periodic sequence which yields an ultimately periodic sequence of outputs $\{y_n\} \in Z$

$$\sigma(q, \{x_n\}, \{y_n\}) > 0 \Rightarrow \{\sigma(q_n, x_n, y_n)\} > 0$$

where $q_1 = q$ and for $n \geq 2$, $\delta(q_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, q_n) > 0$.

- It is clear that if q is a rational state of a neutrosophic finite automata and p is indistinguishable from q , then p is rational.
- To check the given $q \in Q$ is rational state it is enough to assume that the sequence $\{x_n\} \in \Sigma$ is an infinite.

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