Fuzzy Modeling

- Application example
- Mathematical models
- Steps to build fuzzy systems

Economic models

- Models relate variables of interest
- Often, equilibrium solutions are sought
- Relation 1, variable 1 variable 2
- Relation 2, variable 1 variable 2
- Relations between variables are usually assumed to be linear
- The equilibrium solution satisfies both relations

Supply-demand relationship

- Relate price to the supply quantity $Q = aP + b, \quad a > 0$ Relate price to the demand quantity $Q = cP + d, \quad c < 0$ Solve simultaneous set of equations
 - $Q = aP + b, \quad a > 0$
 - $Q = cP + d, \quad c < 0$



Price-supply relationship

- For very low prices, there is little incentive to produce any goods, as price is less than cost
- As the price moves up, economic incentive appears for production, and an increase in price will cause an increase in production
- Finally, there is a saturation region, as no further increase is possible

Fuzzy supply, crisp demand relation



Zero-order Takagi-Sugeno model

Fuzzy price-supply relation

- If price is LOW then supply is g_i(p)
- If price is MEDIUM then supply is g₂(p)

• If price is HIGH then supply is g₃(p)

 $g_1(p) = 8$ $g_2(p) = 22$ $g_3(p) = 30$

Crisp price-demand relation demand = 40 – 2p



Simultaneous solution



Analytical solution

- Consider piecewise linear membership functions
- Use a zero-order Takagi-Sugeno model
- Divide price range into a number of regions within which a solution is sought by solving the equation



Example

 $A_{1}(p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } 0 \le p < 5 \\ -\frac{1}{5}p + 2 & \text{for } 5 \le p < 10 \\ 0 & \text{for } p \ge 10 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ Solution} \\ 40 - 2p = \\ 8A_{1}(p) \end{cases}$ Solution is given by $=\frac{8A_1(p)+22A_2(p)+30A_3(p)}{A_1(p)+A_2(p)+A_3(p)}$ $A_{2}(p) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } p < 8 \\ \frac{1}{2}p - 4 & \text{for } 8 \le p < 10 \\ -\frac{1}{2}p + 6 & \text{for } 10 \le p < 12 \\ 0 & \text{for } p \ge 12 \end{cases}$ For p ∈ [0,5] $A_1(p) = 1$, $A_2(p) = A_3(p) = 0$ $A_3(p) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } p < 10 \\ \frac{1}{5}p - 2 & \text{for } 10 \le p < 15 \\ 1 & \text{for } p \ge 15 \end{cases}$ $40 - 2p = 8 \implies p = 16$ solution is \emptyset

Example

• For $p \in [8,10]$ $A_1(p) = -\frac{1}{5}p + 2$ $A_2(p) = \frac{1}{2}p - 4$ $A_3(p) = 0$ $40 - 2p = \frac{8\left(-\frac{1}{5}p + 2\right) + 22\left(\frac{1}{2}p - 4\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{5}p + 2\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}p - 4\right)}$ $3p^2 - 33p + 40 = 0$ $p_1 = 9.6$ or $p_2 = 1.3$

Hence, p = 9.6 is the solution





Mathematical models

- A representation of reality
- However, appropriateness of a model is coupled to one's goals
- A model consists of
 - Structure: variables, inputs, outputs and types of relations amongst them
 - Parameters: free variables after a structure is selected
 - Search method: method with which the optimal parameters are identified

Modeling and optimization

- Given a process P
- Consider a class M of models parameterized by θ
- Optimal model by

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \|\boldsymbol{P} - \boldsymbol{M}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|$$

Example

- A model with a linear structure
- Two inputs
- One output
- Three parameters
 - $y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_0$
- LMS for optimizing sum of squared errors

$$J = \sum_{k=1}^{N} (y_k - \hat{y}_k)^2$$

Why build models?

To predict a system's behaviour

 To explain interactions and relationships between inputs and outputs

To simulate a system and design controllers

What needs to be determined?

Fuzzy inference systems:

- Rule base (structure) (rule mapping)
- Definition of membership functions (inputs and outputs)
- Estimation of consequent parameters (for Sugeno systems)

How to obtain fuzzy models?

- Expert knowledge driven
 - Initialize FS using expert knowledge
 - Optimize parameters with expert knowledge
- Data driven
 - Two stage:
 - partition input/output space (linguistic variables, values)
 - learn rules
 - Iterative refinement procedure (e.g., neuro-fuzzy approach)
- Combinations of above
 - data-driven estimation of optimal parameters after a suitable expert-driven initialization

Basic steps to build fuzzy systems

- Determine the relevant/available input and output variables/features
- Determine suitable universe of discourse and a term set for the variables
- Define membership functions for linguistic terms
- Determine fuzzy rules for the rule base
- Determine model choices and parameters (including inference operators)
- Tune the system (deep structure)

Rule induction

- Location of kernels membership function positions
- Extension of kernels spread of membership functions
- Shape of kernels type of membership functions
- Consequents associated with kernels estimation of consequent parameters

Rulebase optimization

Interpretability influenced by

- Input and output variables number, relevance and interpretation
- Membership functions number and label meanings
- Rulebase number of rules and interpretation; possibility for incomplete rules

Interplay with expert knowledge

- When designing FIS, use expert knowledge whenever available
- Multiple strategies possible, e.g.
 - initialize a rulebase with expert knowledge and optimize with data
 - design a rulebase from data and optimize with expert knowledge
 - use experts to validate final rulebase
 - use experts to provide boundary conditions for rulebase optimization

Input space partitioning

- Rule induction partitions the input space into number of fuzzy (overlapping) regions
- The type of partition generated depends on chosen algorithm
- Optimization modifies membership parameters to define a partition that minimizes output error

Input space partitioning



Grid partition



Tree partition

Scatter partition



Finding partitions

Clustering algorithms

Optimizing (e.g. with a genetic algorithm, neural networks)

 Decision trees (tree partition – see data mining) based on an information criterion

Fuzzy Logic vs Probability Theory

- - Product T-norm = probability of independent events
 - Membership with area 1 = distribution
- But:
 - (Standard) Fuzzy logic does not have conditional probability
 - (Standard) Fuzzy logic does not have a Bayes' rule P(A|B)P(B)=P(B|A)P(A)
 - Fuzzy logic does not satisfy the "3 axioms of probability theory" → As a representation of belief it is not "coherent" in the eyes of statisticians

Fuzzy Logic vs Probability Theory

- Assume that these properties are desirable:
 - Representation of plausibility by real numbers
 - Reflection of common sense if a number is higher, this reflects higher plausibility
 - Consistency if multiple lines of reasoning exist, all will lead to the same conclusion