

CS344

Artificial Intelligence

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# Fuzzy Logic

- Models Human Reasoning
- Works with imprecise statements such as:  

In a process control situation, “*If* the temperature is moderate and the pressure is high, *then* turn the knob slightly right”
- The rules have “Linguistic Variables”, typically adjectives qualified by adverbs (adverbs are hedges).

# Underlying Theory: Theory of Fuzzy Sets

- Intimate connection between logic and set theory.
- Given any set 'S' and an element 'e', there is a very natural predicate,  $\mu_S(e)$  called as the *belongingness predicate*.

- The predicate is such that,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_S(e) &= 1, & \text{iff } e \in S \\ &= 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

- For example,  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $\mu_S(1) = 1$  and  $\mu_S(5) = 0$
- A predicate  $P(x)$  also defines a set naturally.

$$S = \{x \mid P(x) \text{ is true}\}$$

For example,  $even(x)$  defines  $S = \{x \mid x \text{ is even}\}$

# Fuzzy Set Theory (contd.)

- Fuzzy set theory starts by questioning the fundamental assumptions of set theory *viz.*, the belongingness predicate,  $\mu$ , value is 0 or 1.
- Instead in Fuzzy theory it is assumed that,

$$\mu_s(e) = [0, 1]$$

- Fuzzy set theory is a generalization of classical set theory also called Crisp Set Theory.
- In real life belongingness is a fuzzy concept.

Example: Let,  $T$  = set of “tall” people

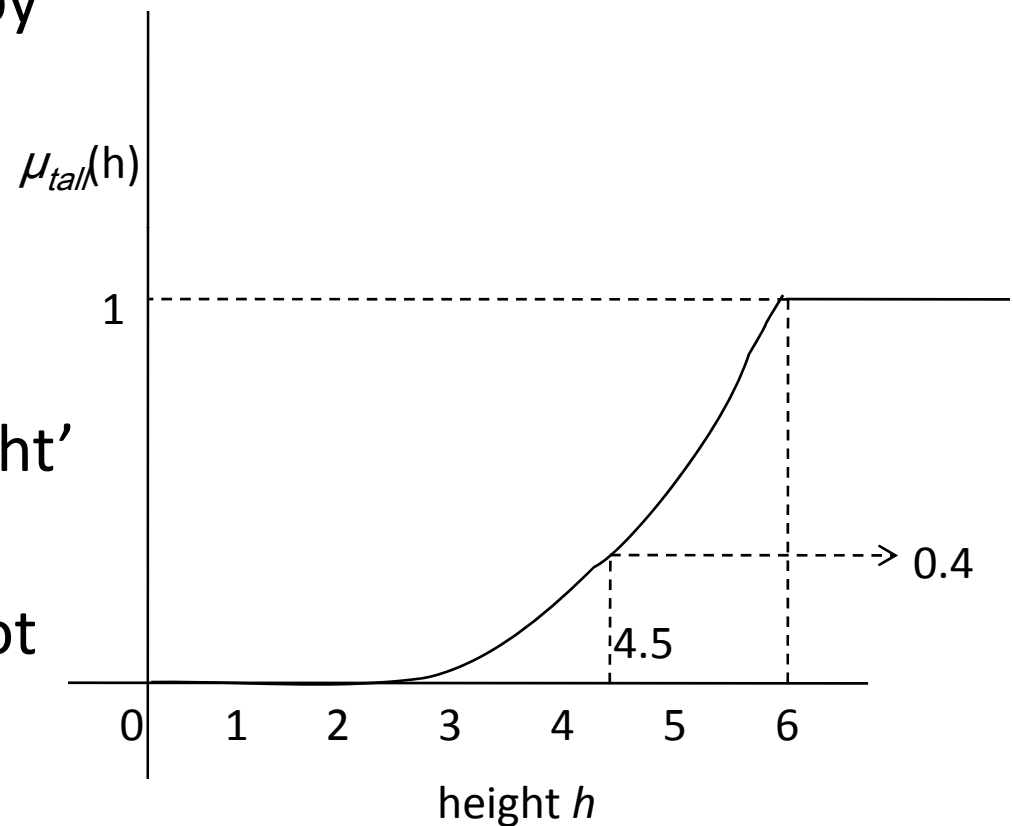
$$\mu_T(\text{Ram}) = 1.0$$

$$\mu_T(\text{Shyam}) = 0.2$$

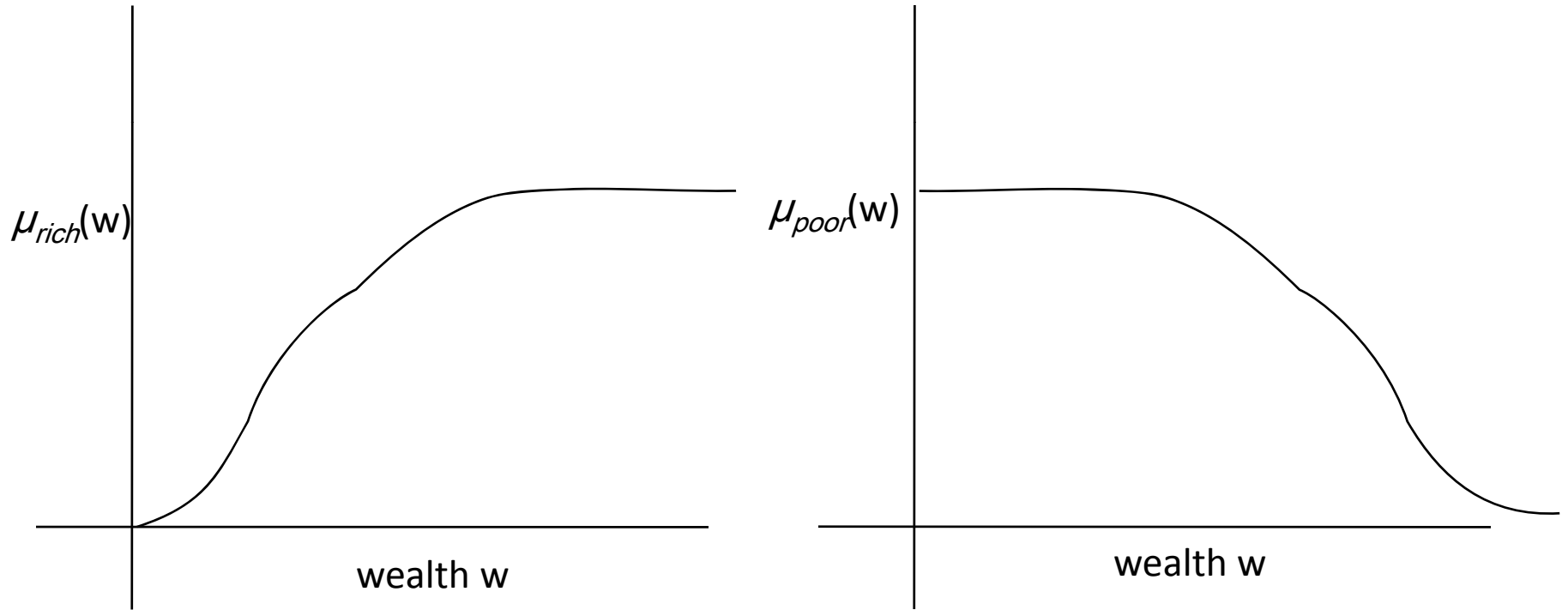
Shyam belongs to  $T$  with degree 0.2.

# Linguistic Variables

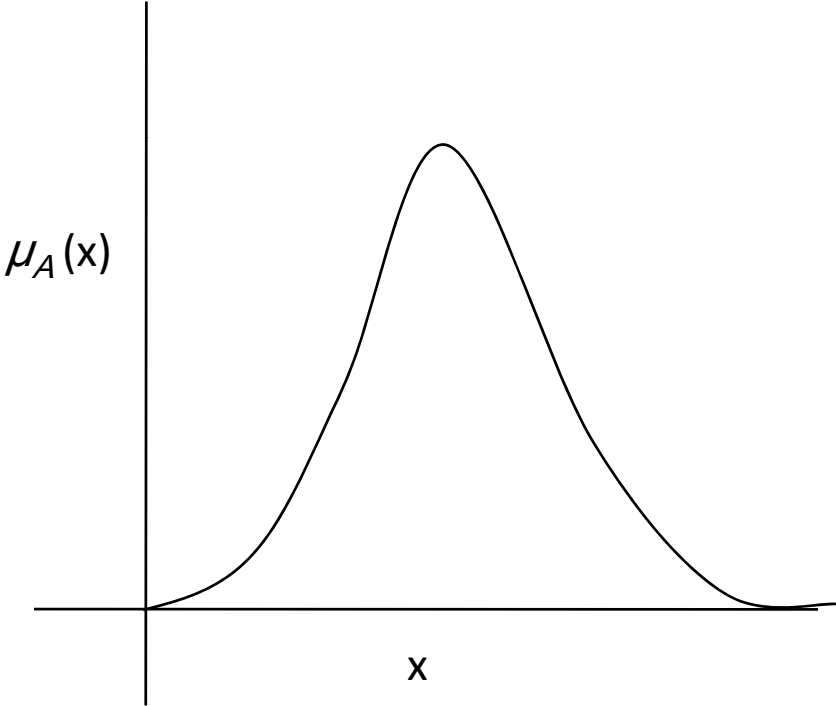
- Fuzzy sets are named by Linguistic Variables (typically adjectives).
- Underlying the LV is a numerical quantity  
E.g. For 'tall' (LV), 'height' is numerical quantity.
- Profile of a LV is the plot shown in the figure shown alongside.



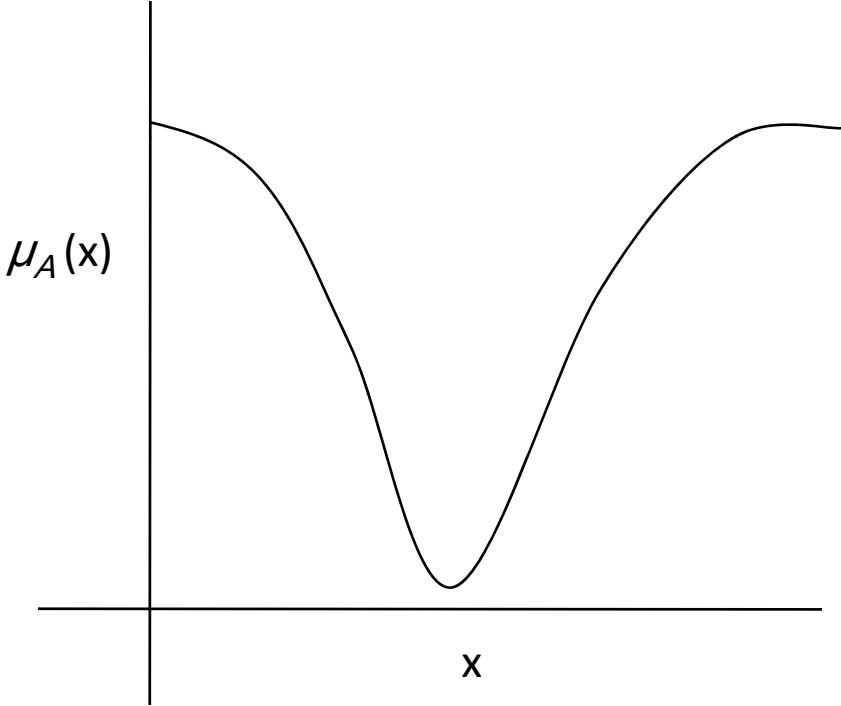
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Profile representing moderate (*e.g.* moderately rich)



Profile representing extreme (*e.g.* extremely poor)

# Concept of Hedge

- Hedge is an intensifier

- Example:

LV = tall,  $LV_1$  = very tall,  
 $LV_2$  = somewhat tall

- ‘very’ operation:

$$\mu_{very\ tall}(x) = \mu_{tall}^2(x)$$

- ‘somewhat’ operation:

$$\mu_{somewhat\ tall}(x) = \sqrt{\mu_{tall}(x)}$$

