

# Function approximation Algorithmic Learning 64-360, Part 3d

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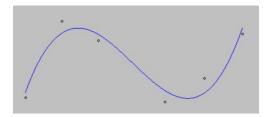
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### Approximation

Approximation of the relation between **x** and *y* (curve, plane, hyperplane ) with a different function, given a limited number of data points  $D = {\mathbf{x}_i, y_i}_{i=1}^l$ .

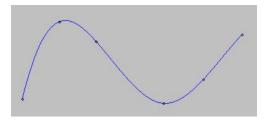






# Approximation vs. Interpolation

A special case of approximation is interpolation: the model exactly matches all data points.

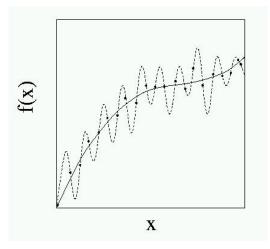


If many data points are given or measurement data is affected by noise, approximation is preferably used.





### Approximation without Overfitting







# Interpolation with Polynomials

Polynomial interpolation:

- Lagrange polynomial,
- Newton polynomial,
- Bernstein polynomial,
- Basis-Splines.



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# Lagrange interpolation

To match l + 1 data points  $(x_i, y_i)$  (i = 0, 1, ..., l) with a polynomial of degree l, the following approach of LAGRANGE can be used:

$$p_l(x) = \sum_{i=0}^l y_i L_i(x)$$

The interpolation polynomial in the Lagrange form is defined as follows:

$$L_{i}(x) = \frac{(x - x_{0})(x - x_{1})\cdots(x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i+1})\cdots(x - x_{l})}{(x_{i} - x_{0})(x_{i} - x_{1})\cdots(x_{i} - x_{i-1})(x_{i} - x_{i+1})\cdots(x_{i} - x_{l})}$$
$$= \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } x = x_{i} \\ 0 \text{ if } x \neq x_{i} \end{cases}$$



### Newton Interpolation

The Newton basis polynomials of degree *I* are constructed as follows:

$$p_{l}(x) = a_{0} + a_{1}(x - x_{0}) + a_{2}(x - x_{0})(x - x_{1}) + \dots + a_{l}(x - x_{0})(x - x_{1}) \cdots (x - x_{l-1})$$

This approach enables us to calculate the coefficients easily. For n = 2 the following system of equations is obtained:  $p_2(x_0) = a_0 = y_0$  $p_2(x_1) = a_0 + a_1(x_1 - x_0) = y_1$  $p_2(x_2) = a_0 + a_1(x_2 - x_0) + a_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) = y_2$ 



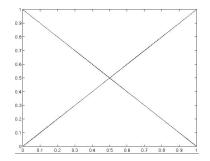


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# Interpolation with Bernstein polynomials - I

Interpolation of two points with Bernstein polynomials:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 B_{0,1}(t) + \mathbf{x}_1 B_{1,1}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0(1-t) + \mathbf{x}_1 t$$





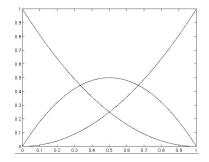


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# Interpolation with Bernstein polynomials - II

Interpolation of three points with Bernstein polynomials:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 B_{0,2}(t) + \mathbf{x}_1 B_{1,2}(t) + \mathbf{x}_2 B_{2,2}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0 (1-t)^2 + \mathbf{x}_1 2t(1-t) + \mathbf{x}_2 t^2$$







# Interpolation with Bernstein polynomials - III

Interpolation of four points with Bernstein polynomials:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 B_{0,3}(t) + \mathbf{x}_1 B_{1,3}(t) + \mathbf{x}_2 B_{2,3}(t) \mathbf{x}_3 B_{3,3}(t)$$
  
=  $\mathbf{x}_0 (1-t)^3 + \mathbf{x}_1 3t (1-t)^2 + \mathbf{x}_2 3t^2 (1-t) + \mathbf{x}_3 t^3$ 





# Interpolation with Bernstein polynomials - IV

The Bernstein polynomials of degree k + 1 are defined as follows:

$$B_{i,k}(t) = \binom{k}{i}(1-t)^{k-i}t^i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, k$$

Interpolation with Bernstein polynomials  $B_{i,k}$ :

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_0 B_{0,k}(t) + \mathbf{x}_1 B_{1,k}(t) + \cdots + \mathbf{x}_k B_{k,k}(t)$$





## **B-Splines**

Introduction

A normalized B-Splines  $N_{i,k}$  of degree k is defined as follows: For k = 1,

$$\mathcal{N}_{i,k}(t) = \left\{egin{array}{ccc} 1 & : & ext{for } t_i \leq t < t_{i+1} \ 0 & : & ext{else} \end{array}
ight.$$

and for k > 1, the recursive definition:

$$egin{aligned} & \mathcal{N}_{i,k}(t) = rac{t-t_i}{t_{i+k-1}-t_i} \mathcal{N}_{i,k-1}(t) + \ & rac{t_{i+k}-t}{t_{i+k}-t_i} \mathcal{N}_{i+1,k-1}(t) \end{aligned}$$

with i = 0, ..., m.





# **B-Spline-Curve**

A **B-Spline-Curve** of degree k is a composite function built piecewise from **basis B-Splines** resulting in a polynomial of degree (k - 1) that is (k-2)-times continuously differentiable (class  $C^{k-2}$ ) at the borders of the segments.

The Curve is constructed by polynomials, that are defined by the following parameters:

$$\mathbf{t} = (t_0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m, t_{m+1}, \dots, t_{m+k}),$$

where

- m: depending on the number of data-points
- k: the fixed degree of the B-Spline curve

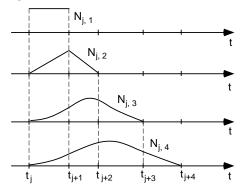




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#### Examples of B-Splines

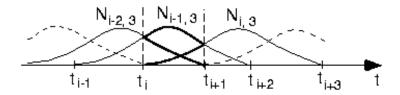
B-Splines with degree 1, 2, 3 and 4:



Between the interval of parameters k B-Splines are overlapping.



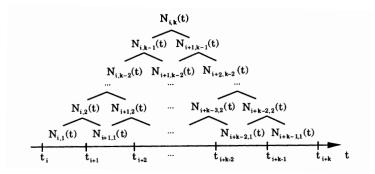
## Examples of cubic B-Splines





# B-Splines of degree k - I

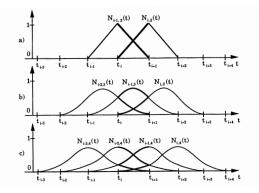
The recursive definition procedure of a B-Spline basis function  $N_{i,k}(t)$ :





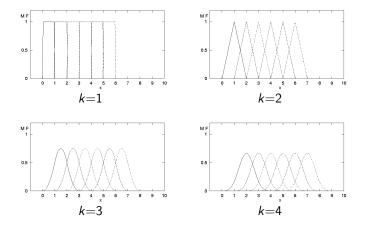
## B-Splines of degree k - II

Current segments of B-Spline basis functions of degree 2, 3 and 4 for  $t_i \le t < t_{i+1}$ :





#### Uniform B-spline of degree 1 to 4

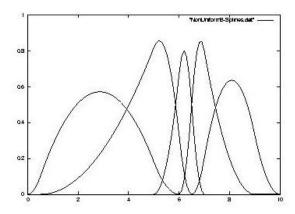






# Non-uniform B-Splines

Degree 3:







#### Properties of B-splines

Partition of unity: Positivity:

Local support:

 $C^{k-2}$  continuity:

 $\sum_{i=0}^{k} N_{i,k}(t) = 1.$  $N_{i,k}(t) \ge 0.$ 

$$N_{i,k}(t) = 0$$
 for  $t \notin [t_i, t_{i+k}]$ .

If the knots  $\{t_i\}$  different in pairs then  $N_{i,k}(t) \in C^{k-2}$ , i.e.  $N_{i,k}(t)$  is (k-2) times continuously differentiable.





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# Construction of B-spline curves

A B-spline curve can be constructed blending a number of predefined values (data-points) with B-splines

$$\mathsf{r}(t) = \sum_{j=0}^m \mathsf{v}_j \cdot N_{j,k}(t)$$

where  $\mathbf{v}_j$  are called *control points* (*de Boor-points*).

Let t be a given parameter, then  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is a point of the B-spline curve.

If t varies from  $t_{k-1}$  to  $t_{m+1}$ , then  $\mathbf{r}(t)$  is a (k-2)-times continuously differentiable function (class  $C^{k-2}$ ).





# Calculation of control points from data points

The points  $\mathbf{v}_j$  are only identical with the data points if k = 2 (interpolation/otherwise approximation). The control points form a convex hull of the interpolation curve. Two methods for the calculation of control points from data points:





# Calculation of control points from data points

1 Solving the following system of equations (Böhm84):

$$\mathbf{q}_j(t) = \sum_{j=0}^m \mathbf{v}_j \cdot N_{j,k}(t)$$

where  $\mathbf{q}_j$  are the data-points for interpolation/approximation,  $j = 0, \cdots, m$ .

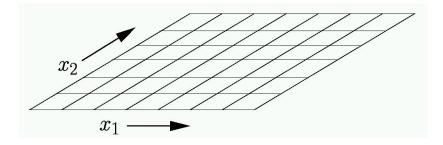
2 Learning based on gradient descent(Zhang98).



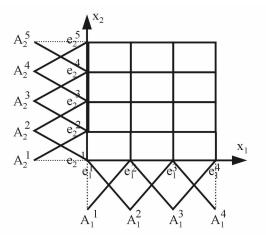
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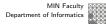


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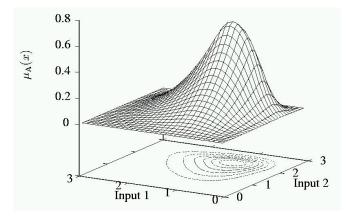








## Tensor 2D-NURBS







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# Real-world Problems

- modeling: learning from examples, self-optimized formation, prediction, ...
- control: perception-action cycle, state control, Identification of dynamic systems,

...

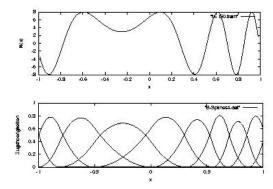
Function approximation as a benchmark for the choice of a model



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#### Function approximation - 1D example

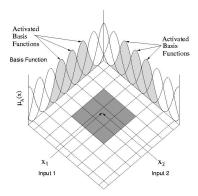
An example function  $f(x) = 8sin(10x^2 + 5x + 1)$  with -1 < x < 1and the correctly distributed B-Splines:







#### Lattice



The B-spline model – a two-dimensional illustration.

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# Lattice (cont.)

Every *n*-dimensional square (n > 1) is covered by the  $j^{th}$  multivariate B-spline  $N_k^j(x)$ .  $N_k^j(x)$  is defined by the tensor of *n* univariate B-splines:

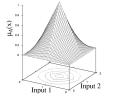
$$N_k^j(x) = \prod_{j=1}^n N_{i_j,k_j}^j(x_j)$$
 (1)

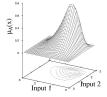
Therefore the shape of each B-spline, and thus the shape of multivariate ones (Figure 2), is implicitly set by their order and their given knot distribution on each input interval.





# Lattice (cont.)





(a) Tensor of two, order 2 univariate B-splines.

- (b) Tensor of one order 3 and one order 2 univariate B-splines.
- (c) Tensor of two univariate B-splines of order 3.

Bivariate B-splines formed by taking the tensor of two univariate B-splines.





## General requirements for an approximator

- Universality: Approximation of arbitrary functions
- Generalization: good approximation without Overfitting
- Adaptivity: on the basis of new data
- Parallelism: Computing based on biological models
- Interpretability: at least "Grey-box" instead of "Black-box"

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# Importance of the Interpretability of a Model

Richard P. Feynman: "the way we have to describe nature is generally incomprehensible to us".

Albert Einstein: "it should be possible to explain the laws of physics to a barmaid".





# Importance of the Interpretability of a Model (cont.)

Important reasons for the symbolic interpretability of an approximator:

- Linguistic modeling is a basis of skill transfer from an expert to a computer or robot.
- Automated learning of a transparent model facilitates the analysis, validation and monitoring in the development cycle of a model or a controller.
- Transparen models provide diverse applications in Decision-Support Systems.



# **B-Spline ANFIS**

In a B-Spline ANFIS with *n* inputs  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ , the rules are used the following form: { $Rule(i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_n)$ : IF ( $x_1$  IS  $N_{i_1,k_1}^1$ ) AND ( $x_2$  IS  $N_{i_2,k_2}^2$ ) AND ... AND ( $x_n$  IS  $N_{i_n,k_n}^n$ ) THEN *y* IS  $Y_{i_1i_2...i_n}$ }, where

• 
$$x_j$$
: input  $j \ (j = 1, ..., n)$ ,

- $k_j$ : degree of B-spline basis function for  $x_j$ ,
- ▶ N<sup>j</sup><sub>ij,kj</sub>: with the *i*-th linguistic term for the x<sub>j</sub>-associated B-spline function,
- $i_j = 0, \ldots, m_j$ , partitioning of input j,
- $Y_{i_1i_2...i_n}$ : control points for  $Rule(i_1, i_2, ..., i_n)$ .
- the "AND"-operator: product



# B-Spline ANFIS (cont.)

Then the output y of the MISO control system is:

$$y = \sum_{i_1=1}^{m_1} \dots \sum_{i_n=1}^{m_n} (Y_{i_1,\dots,i_n} \prod_{j=1}^n N^j_{i_j,k_j}(x_j))$$

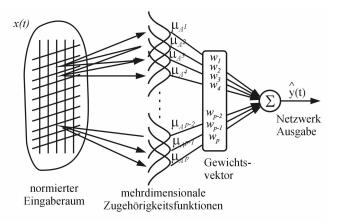
This is a general B-spline model that represents the hyperplane (it NUBS (nonuniform B-spline)).

http://equipe.nce.ufrj.br/adriano/fuzzy/transparencias/anfis/anfis.pdf





#### Architecture of B-Spline ANFIS

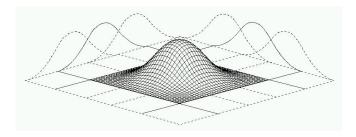




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## MF(membership function)-Formulation - Tensor

#### Tensor of 2D-Splines:

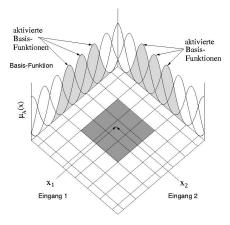






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#### The activation of MF by the inputs







### B-Spline ANFIS: example

An example with two input variables (x und y) and one Output z.

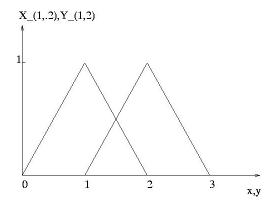
The parameters of the THEN-clauses are  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4$ .





### B-Spline ANFIS: example (cont.)

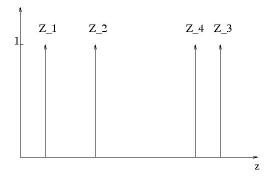
The linguistic terms of inputs (IF-clauses):





### B-Spline ANFIS: example (cont.)

The parameters of the THEN-clauses:







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#### Example: control basis

The sample control basis consists of four rules:

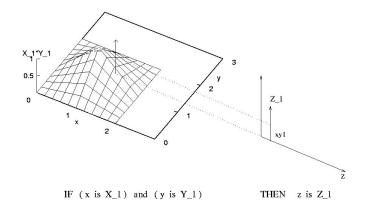
Rule

1)	IF	x is	$X_1$	and	y is	$Y_1$	THEN	z is	$Z_1$
2)	IF	x is	$X_1$	and	y is	$Y_2$	THEN	z is	$Z_2$
3)	IF	x is	$X_2$	and	y is	$Y_1$	THEN	z is	$Z_2$
4)	IF	x is	$X_2$	and	y is	$Y_2$	THEN	z is	$Z_4$





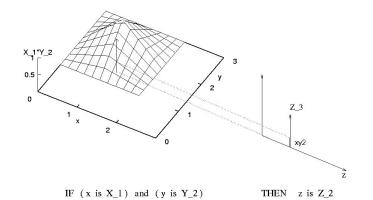
#### Illustration of the fuzzy inference







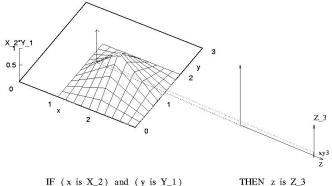
#### Illustration of the fuzzy inference (2)







#### Illustration of the fuzzy inference (3)

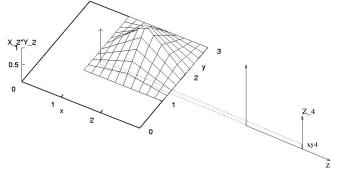


IF  $(x \text{ is } X_2)$  and  $(y \text{ is } Y_1)$ 





#### Illustration of the fuzzy inference (4)



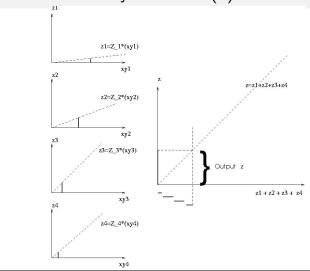
IF (x is  $X_2$ ) and (y is  $Y_2$ )

THEN z is Z 4





#### Illustration of the fuzzy inference (5)



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#### Algorithms for Supervised Learning - I

Let {(X, y<sub>d</sub>)} be a set of training data, where
X = (x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>,..., x<sub>n</sub>) : the vector of input data,
y<sub>d</sub> : the desired output for X.
The LSE is:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}(y_r - y_d)^2,$$
 (2)

where  $y_r$  is the current real output value during the training cycle. Goal is to find the parameters  $Y_{i_1,i_2,...,i_n}$ , that minimize the error in (2)

$$E = \frac{1}{2}(y_r - y_d)^2 \equiv MIN.$$
 (3)





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#### Algorithms for Supervised Learning - II

Each control point  $Y_{i_1,...,i_n}$  can be improved with the following gradient descend algorithm:

$$\Delta Y_{i_1,\dots,i_n} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial E}{\partial Y_{i_1,\dots,i_n}}$$

$$= \epsilon (y_r - y_d) \prod_{j=1}^n N_{i_j,k_j}^j (x_j)$$
(5)

where  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1$ .





#### Algorithms for Supervised Learning - III

The gradient descend algorithm ensures that the learning algorithm converges to the global minimum of the LSE-function, because the second partial derivative of  $Y_{(i_1, l_2, hdots, i_n)}$  is constant:

$$\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial^2 Y_{i_1,...,i_n}} = (\prod_{j=1}^n N_{i_j,k_j}^j(x_j))^2 \ge 0.$$
 (6)

This means that the LSE-function (ref (error)) is convex  $Y_{(i_1, l_2, dots, i_n is)}$  and therefore has only one (global) minimum.

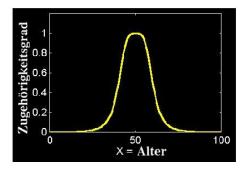




### Symbol Transformation of the Core Functions

Positive, convex core functions can be considered as Fuzzy sets, for example:

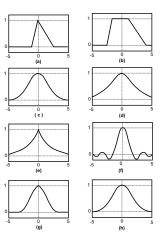
$$\mu_B(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x - 50}{10}\right)^2}$$







#### Membership-functions







#### Introduction to fuzzy sets

- fuzzy natural-language gradations of terms like "big", "beautiful", "strong" ...
- human thought and behavior models using the one-step logic:

Driving: "IF-THEN"-clauses

Car parking: With millimeter accuracy?





#### Introduction to Fuzzy sets

Use of fuzzy language instead of numerical description:

brake 2.52 m before the curve

 $\rightarrow$  only in machine systems

brake shortly before the curve

 $\rightarrow$  in natural language





### Definitions

Introduction

Fuzzy: indistinctive, vague, unclear.

Fuzzy sets / fuzzy logic as a mechanism for

- fuzzy natural-language gradations of terms like "big", "beautiful", "strong" ...
- usage of fuzzy language instead of numerical description:.
- abstraction of unnecessary / too complex details.
- human thought and behavior models using the one-step logic.





#### Characteristic function vs. Membership function

For **Fuzzy-sets** A we used a generalized characteristic function  $\mu_A$  that assigns a real number from [0, 1] to to each member  $x \in X$  — the "degree" of membership of x to the fuzzy set A:

$$\mu_A: X \to [0,1]$$

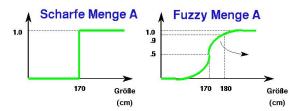
 $\mu_A$  is called membershop-function.

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





### Membership function



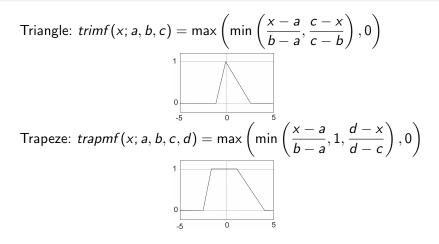
Characteristic of the continuous membership function

- Positive, convex functions (some important core functions).
- Subjective perception
- no probabilistic functions





#### Membership function types - I

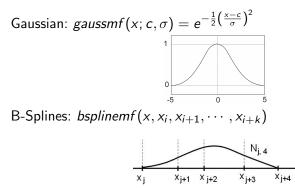






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#### Membership function types - II







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### Linguistic variables

A numeric variable has numerical values:

$$age = 25$$

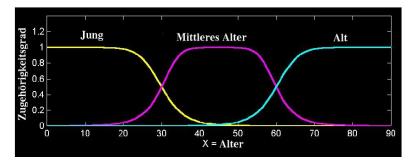
A linguistic variable has linguistic values (terms): age : young

A linguistic value is a fuzzy set.



#### **Fuzzy-Partition**

# Fuzzy partition of the linguistic values "young", "average" and "old":







#### Fuzzy Logic: inference mechanisms

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A fuzzy rule is formulated as follows:
"IF A THEN B"
with Fuzzy-sets A, B and the universes X, Y.
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One of the most important inference mechanisms is the generalized Modus-Ponens (GMP):

Implication:	IF x is A THEN y is B					
Premise:	x is $A'$					
Conclusion:	y is B'					





#### Fuzzy systems for function approximation

Basic idea:

- Description of the desired control behavior through natural language, qualitative rules.
- Quantification of linguistic values by fuzzy sets.
- Evaluation by methods of fuzzy logic or interpolation.





#### Fuzzy systems for function approximation

- Fuzzy-rules: "IF (a set of conditions is met) THEN (a set of consequences can be determined)"
  - In the premises (Antecedents) of the IF-part: linguistic variables from the domain of process states;
  - In the conclusions (Consequences) of the THEN-part: linguistic variables from the system domain.



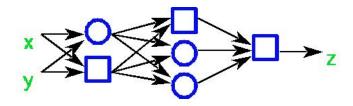


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#### Adaptive networks



Architecture:

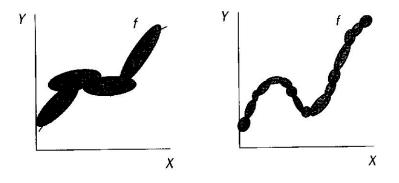
Feedforward networks with different node functions





#### Rule Extraction

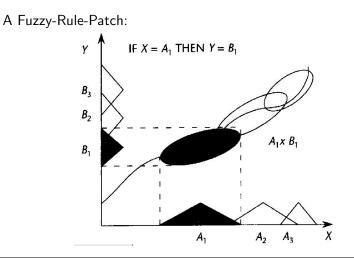
#### The Fuzzy-Patches (Kosko):







#### Rule Extraction







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# Additive Systeme

An additive fuzzy controller adds the "THEN"-Parts of the fired rules.

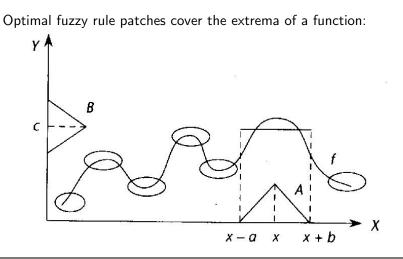
Fuzzy-Approximations-Rule:

An additive Fuzzy controller can approximate any continuous function  $f: X \to Y$  if X is compact





### **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**



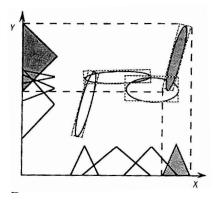




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#### **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**

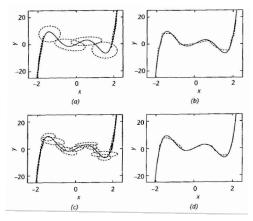
Projection of the ellipsoids on the input and output axis:





#### **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**

The size of an ellipsoid depends on the training data.



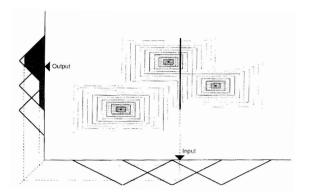




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# **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**

Visualization of the input-output space:





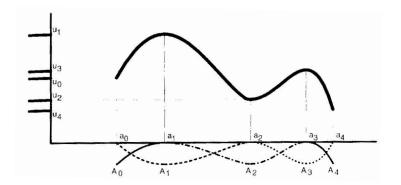
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# **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**

An example for interpolation:





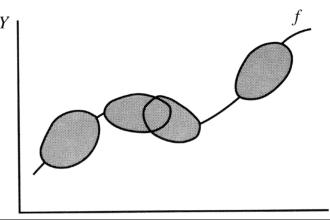
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# **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**

Data cluster along the function:



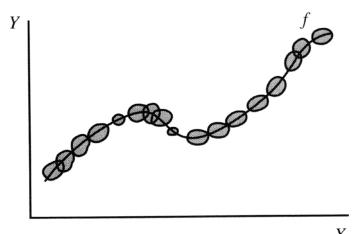


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#### **Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches**



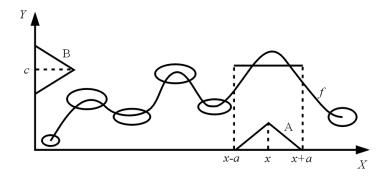




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# Optimal Fuzzy-Rule-Patches

Approximation with Fuzzy-sets using the projections of extremes:



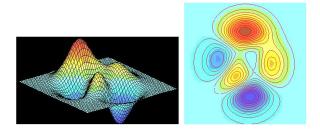




Function approximation

#### Approximation of a 2D-function

$$z = f(x, y)$$
  
=3(1 - x)<sup>2</sup>e<sup>-x<sup>2</sup>-(y+1)<sup>2</sup></sup> - 10( $\frac{x}{5}$  - x<sup>3</sup> - y<sup>5</sup>)e<sup>-x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sup> -  $\frac{1}{3}e^{-(x+1)^2-y^2}$ 







## Approximation of a 2D-function

Derivatives of the function:  $\frac{dz}{dx} = -6(1-x)e^{-x^2-(y+1)^2} - 6(1-x)^2xe^{-x^2-(y+1)^2}$  $-10(\frac{1}{5}-3x^2)*e^{-x^2-y^2}+20(\frac{1}{5}x-x^3-y^5)xe^{-x^2-y^2}$  $-\frac{1}{2}(-2x-2)e^{-(x+1)^2-y^2}$  $\frac{dz}{dy} = 3(1-x)^2(-2y-2)e^{-x^2-(y+1)^2}$  $+50y^4e^{-x^2-y^2}+20(\frac{1}{5}x-x^3-y^5)ye^{-x^2-y^2}$ 

 $+\frac{2}{2}ye^{-(x+1)^2-y^2}$ 



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Function approximation

#### Approximation of a 2D-function

$$\frac{d\frac{dz}{dx}}{dx} = 36xe^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} - 18x^2e^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} - 24x^3e^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} + 12x^4e^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} + 72xe^{-x^2 - y^2} - 148x^3e^{-x^2 - y^2} - 20y^5e^{-x^2 - y^2} + 40x^5e^{-x^2 - y^2} + 40x^2e^{-x^2 - y^2}y^5 - \frac{2}{3}e^{-(x+1)^2 - y^2} - \frac{4}{3}e^{-(x+1)^2 - y^2}x^2 - \frac{8}{3}e^{-(x+1)^2 - y^2}x$$





# Approximation of a 2D-function

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(\frac{dz}{dy})}{dy} &= -6(1-x)^2 e^{-x^2 - y(+1)^2} + 3(1-x)^2(-2y-2)^2 e^{-x^2 - (y+1)^2} \\ &+ 200y^3 e^{-x^2 - y^2} - 200y^5 e^{-x^2 - y^2} + 20(\frac{1}{5}x - x^3 - y^5)e^{-x^2 - y^2} \\ &- 40(\frac{1}{5}x - x^3 - y^5)y^2 e^{-x^2 - y^2} + \frac{2}{3}e^{-(x+1)^2 - y^2} \\ &- \frac{4}{3}y^2 e^{-(x+1)^2 - y^2} \end{aligned}$$





# Global Overview of the Statistical Learning Theory - I

Let  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^l$  be a set of data points/examples. We are searching for a function f, which minimizes the following equation:

$$\mathcal{H}[f] = rac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^l V(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \lambda \|f\|_K^2$$

where  $V(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a *loss function* and  $\|f\|_K^2$  is a norm in the Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , which is defined by a positive kernel K, and  $\lambda$  is the regularization parameter.

The problems in modeling, data regression and pattern classification are each based on a kind of  $V(\cdot, \cdot)$ .





# Global Overview of the Statistical Learning Theory - II

1. 
$$V(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) = (y_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i))^2$$
  
 $(y_i \in R^1, V: \text{ square error function})$   
 $\Rightarrow Regularization Networks, RN$ 

3. 
$$V(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) = |1 - y_i f(\mathbf{x}_i)|_+$$
  
 $(y_i \in \{-1, 1\}, |x|_+ = x \text{ für } x \ge 0, \text{ else } |x|_+ = 0)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Support Vector Machines Classification, SVMC





# Global Overview of the Statistical Learning Theory - II

 V(y<sub>i</sub>, f(x<sub>i</sub>)) = (y<sub>i</sub> - f(x<sub>i</sub>))<sup>2</sup> (y<sub>i</sub>: a real number, V: square error function) ⇒ Regularization Networks, RN
 V(y<sub>i</sub>, f(x<sub>i</sub>)) = |y<sub>i</sub> - f(x<sub>i</sub>)|<sub>ε</sub> (y<sub>i</sub>: a real number, | · |<sub>ε</sub>: an ε-independent norm) ⇒ Support Vector Machines Regression, SVMR

3. 
$$V(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) = |1 - y_i f(\mathbf{x}_i)|_+$$
  
( $y_i$ : -1 oder 1,  $|x|_+ = x$  für  $x \ge 0$ , sonst  $|x|_+ = 0$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  Support Vector Machines Classification, SVMC

For modeling and control tasks, the first definition is most important.



Function approximation

#### Universelal Function Approximation - I

A control-network can approximate all smooth functions with an arbitrary precision.

The general solution of this problem is:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{l} c_i K(x; x_i)$$

where  $c_i$  are the coefficients.





#### Universelal Function Approximation - II

#### Proposition of the approximation:

For any continuous function Y that is defined on the compact subset  $R^n$  and the core function K, there is a function  $y^*(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{l} c_i K(x; x_i)$  that fulfills for all x and any  $\epsilon$ :

 $|Y(x) - y^*(x)| < \epsilon$ 





#### Universal Function Approximation - II

Using different kernel functions leads to different models:

$\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) = \exp(-\ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\ ^2)$	Gaussian RBF
$K(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) = (\ \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\ ^2 + c^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	Inverse multiquadratic functions
$K(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) =  anh(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i - \theta)$	Multilayer perceptron
$\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_i)=(1+\mathbf{x}\cdot\mathbf{x}_i)^d$	Polynomial of degree d
$K(x-x_i) = B_{2n+1}(x-x_i)$	B-Splines
$K(x - x_i) = rac{\sin(d + rac{1}{2})(x - x_i)}{\sinrac{(x - x_i)}{2}}$	Trigonometric polynomial



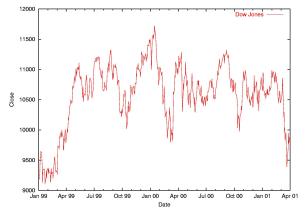
#### Problems

- "Curse of dimensionality" because of the exponential dependency between the memory requirements and the dimension of input space.
- 2. Aliasing within the feature extraction
- 3. Not available target data (y).
- 4. Not available input factors.





#### Learning from DJ-Data



Dow-Jones-Index: can the function be modeled?

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Function approximation

# Example: Image Processing in Local Observation scenarios

A sequence of gray scale images of an object is acquired by the movement along a fixed location:



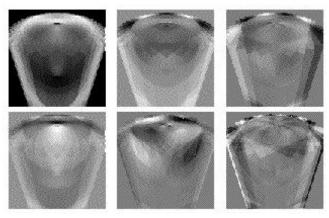




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# Example: Extraction of Eigenvectors

#### The first 6 Eigenvectors:



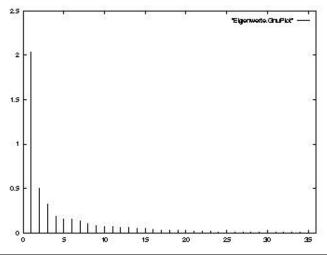


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#### Example: Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues





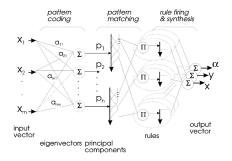


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# Combination of Dimension Reduction with B-Spline Model

Eigenvectors can be partitioned by linguistic terms.

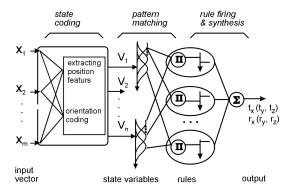
Such a combination of PCA and B-spline model can be considered as a Neuro-Fuzzy model.







#### The Neuro-Fuzzy Model







# The Training and Application Phases

