

# Computational Intelligence

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- Fuzzy relations
- Fuzzy logic
  - Linguistic variables and terms
  - Inference from fuzzy statements

relations with conventional sets  $\mathcal{X}_1, \mathcal{X}_2, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n$ :

$$R(\mathcal{X}_1, \mathcal{X}_2, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n) \subseteq \mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2 \times \dots \times \mathcal{X}_n$$

notice that cartesian product is a **set!**

⇒ all set operations remain valid!

crisp membership function (of  $x$  to relation  $R$ )

$$R(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in R \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Definition**

**Fuzzy relation** = fuzzy set over crisp cartesian product  $\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2 \times \dots \times \mathcal{X}_n$  ■

→ each tuple  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  has a degree of membership to relation

→ degree of membership expresses *strength of relationship* between elements of tuple

appropriate representation: n-dimensional membership matrix

**example:** Let  $X = \{ \text{New York, Paris} \}$  and  $Y = \{ \text{Beijing, New York, Dortmund} \}$ .

relation  $R = \text{"very far away"}$

membership matrix →

relation R	New York	Paris
Beijing	1.0	0.9
New York	0.0	0.7
Dortmund	0.6	0.3

**Definition**

Let  $R(X, Y)$  be a fuzzy relation with membership matrix  $R$ . The **inverse fuzzy relation** to  $R(X, Y)$ , denoted  $R^{-1}(Y, X)$ , is a relation on  $Y \times X$  with membership matrix  $R'$ . ■

**Remark:**  $R'$  is the transpose of membership matrix  $R$ .

Evidently:  $(R^{-1})^{-1} = R$  since  $(R')' = R$

**Definition**

Let  $P(X, Y)$  and  $Q(Y, Z)$  be fuzzy relations. The operation  $\circ$  on two relations, denoted  $P(X, Y) \circ Q(Y, Z)$ , is termed **max-min-composition** iff

$$R(x, z) = (P \circ Q)(x, z) = \max_{y \in Y} \min \{ P(x, y), Q(y, z) \}. \quad \blacksquare$$

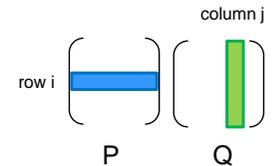
**Theorem**

- a) max-min composition on relations is associative.
- b) max-min composition on relations is not commutative.
- c)  $(P(X, Y) \circ Q(Y, Z))^{-1} = Q^{-1}(Z, Y) \circ P^{-1}(Y, X)$ .

membership matrix of max-min composition determinable via “fuzzy matrix multiplication”:  $R = P \circ Q$

fuzzy matrix multiplication  $r_{ij} = \max_k \min \{ p_{ik}, q_{kj} \}$

crisp matrix multiplication  $r_{ij} = \sum_k p_{ik} \cdot q_{kj}$



further methods for realizing compositions of relations:

**max-prod composition**

$$(P \odot Q)(x, z) = \max_{y \in Y} \{ P(x, y) \cdot Q(y, z) \}$$

**generalization: sup-t composition**

$$(P \circ Q)(x, z) = \sup_{y \in Y} \{ t(P(x, y), Q(y, z)) \}, \text{ where } t(\dots) \text{ is a t-norm}$$

- e.g.:  $t(a, b) = \min\{a, b\} \Rightarrow$  max-min-composition
- $t(a, b) = a \cdot b \Rightarrow$  max-prod-composition

**Binary fuzzy relations on  $X \times X$  : properties**

- **reflexive**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in X : R(x, x) = 1$
- **irreflexive**  $\Leftrightarrow \exists x \in X : R(x, x) < 1$
- **antireflexive**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in X : R(x, x) < 1$
- **symmetric**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, y) \in X \times X : R(x, y) = R(y, x)$
- **asymmetric**  $\Leftrightarrow \exists (x, y) \in X \times X : R(x, y) \neq R(y, x)$
- **antisymmetric**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, y) \in X \times X : R(x, y) \neq R(y, x)$
- **transitive**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, z) \in X \times X : R(x, z) \geq \max_{y \in X} \min \{ R(x, y), R(y, z) \}$
- **intransitive**  $\Leftrightarrow \exists (x, z) \in X \times X : R(x, z) < \max_{y \in X} \min \{ R(x, y), R(y, z) \}$
- **antitransitive**  $\Leftrightarrow \forall (x, z) \in X \times X : R(x, z) < \max_{y \in X} \min \{ R(x, y), R(y, z) \}$

actually, here: max-min-transitivity ( $\rightarrow$  in general: sup-t-transitivity)

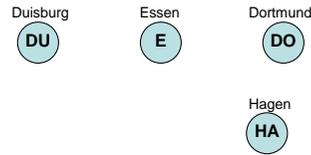
**binary fuzzy relation on X x X: example**

Let X be a subset of all cities in Germany.

Fuzzy relation R is intended to represent the concept of „very close to“.

- $R(x,x) = 1$ , since every city is certainly very close to itself.  
⇒ **reflexive**
- $R(x,y) = R(y,x)$ : if city x is very close to city y, then also vice versa.  
⇒ **symmetric**

R	DU	E	DO	HA
DU	1	0.7	0.5	0.4
E	0.7	1	0.8	0.8
DO	0.5	0.8	1	0.9
HA	0.4	0.8	0.9	1



$$R(DO,DU) = 0.5 < \max_y \min\{R(DO,y), R(y,DU)\} = 0.7$$

$$R(E,DO) = 0.8 \geq \max_y \min\{R(E,y), R(y,DO)\} = 0.8$$

⇒ **intransitive**

**crisp:**

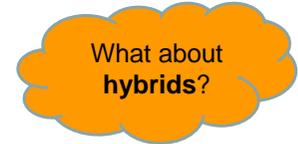
relation R is equivalence relation, R reflexive, symmetric, transitive

**fuzzy:**

relation R is similarity relation, R reflexive, symmetric, (max-min-) transitive

examples:

- *equivalence relation*: farm animals cattle, pigs, chicken, ...  
 $R(\text{cow}, \text{ox}) = 1$  but  $R(\text{cow}, \text{hen}) = 0$



- *similarity relation*: farm animals cattle, pigs, chicken, horse, donkey, ...  
 $R(\text{mule}, (\text{male}) \text{ donkey}) = 0.5$  and  $R(\text{mule}, (\text{female}) \text{ horse}) = 0.5$

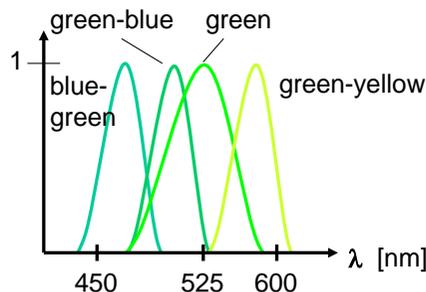
**linguistic variable:**

variable that can attain several values of linguistic / verbal nature

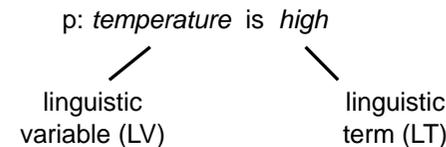
e.g.: **color** can attain values **red, green, blue, yellow, ...**

values (red, green, ...) of linguistic variable are called **linguistic terms**

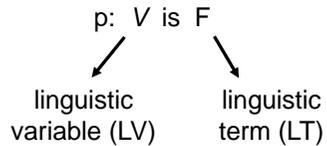
linguistic terms are associated with fuzzy sets



**fuzzy proposition**



- LV may be associated with several LT : *high, medium, low, ...*
- *high, medium, low* temperature are fuzzy sets over numerical scale of crisp temperatures
- trueness of fuzzy proposition „temperature is high“ for a given **concrete crisp** temperature value v is interpreted as equal to the degree of membership *high(v)* of the fuzzy set *high*

fuzzy proposition

actually:

p: V is F(v)

and

$T(p) = F(v)$  for a concrete crisp value v

↘  
trueness(p)

establishes connection between  
*degree of membership*  
of a fuzzy set and the  
*degree of trueness*  
of a fuzzy proposition

fuzzy proposition

p: IF heating is hot, THEN energy consumption is high



expresses relation between

- temperature of heating and
- quantity of energy consumption

p: (heating, energy consumption) ∈ R ↖ relation

fuzzy proposition

p: IF X is A, THEN Y is B



How can we determine / express degree of trueness T(p) ?

- For crisp, given values x, y we know A(x) and B(y)
- A(x) and B(y) must be processed to single value via relation R
- $R(x, y) = \text{function}(A(x), B(y))$  is fuzzy set over  $X \times Y$
- as before: interpret T(p) as degree of membership  $R(x,y)$

fuzzy proposition

p: IF X is A, THEN Y is B

A is fuzzy set over X

B is fuzzy set over Y

R is fuzzy set over  $X \times Y$

$\forall (x,y) \in X \times Y: R(x, y) = \text{Imp}(A(x), B(y))$

What is  $\text{Imp}(\cdot, \cdot)$  ?

⇒ „appropriate“ fuzzy implication  $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$

**assumption:** we know an „appropriate“ Imp(a,b).

How can we determine the *degree of trueness* T(p) ?

**example:** (discrete case)

let  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \min\{1, 1 - a + b\}$  and consider fuzzy sets

A:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
0.1	0.8	1.0

B:

$y_1$	$y_2$
0.5	1.0

⇒

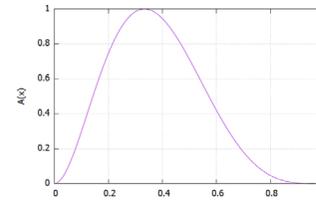
<b>R</b>	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
$y_1$	1.0	0.7	0.5
$y_2$	1.0	1.0	1.0

z.B.  
 $R(x_2, y_1) = \text{Imp}(A(x_2), B(y_1)) = \text{Imp}(0.8, 0.5) = \min\{1.0, 0.7\} = 0.7$

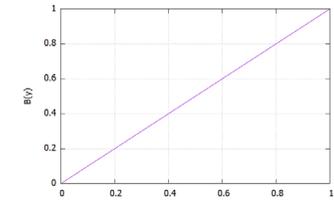
and T(p) for  $(x_2, y_1)$  is  $R(x_2, y_1) = 0.7$  ■

**example:** (continuous case)

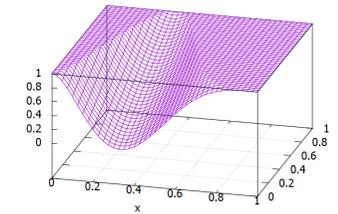
let  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \min\{1, 1 - a + b\}$  and consider fuzzy sets



$$A(x) = \frac{729}{16} x^2 (1 - x)^4 \text{ for } x \in [0, 1]$$



$$B(y) = y \text{ for } y \in [0, 1]$$

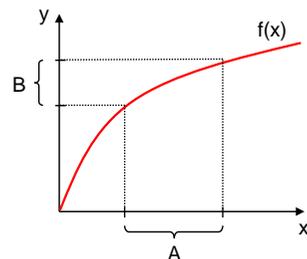
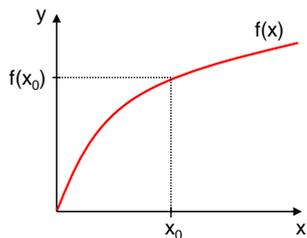


$$\Rightarrow R(x, y) = \min\{1, 1 - A(x) + B(y)\} = \min\{1, 1 - \frac{729}{16} x^2 (1 - x)^4 + y\}$$

**toward inference from fuzzy statements:**

- let  $R = \{(x, y) : y = f(x)\}$  for a function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- IF  $X = \{x_0\}$  THEN  $Y = \{f(x_0)\}$
- IF  $X \in A$  THEN  $Y \in B = \{y \in \mathcal{Y} : y = f(x), x \in A\}$

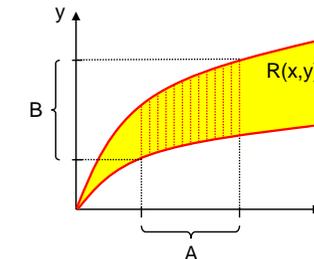
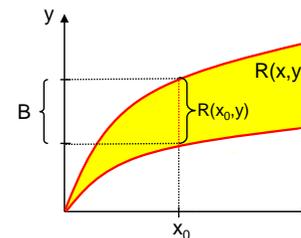
crisp case:  
functional relationship



**toward inference from fuzzy statements:**

- let relationship between x and y be a relation  $R$  on  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$
- IF  $X = x_0$  THEN  $Y \in B = \{y \in \mathcal{Y} : (x_0, y) \in R\}$
- IF  $X \in A$  THEN  $Y \in B = \{y \in \mathcal{Y} : (x, y) \in R, x \in A\}$

crisp case:  
relational relationship



**toward inference from fuzzy statements:**

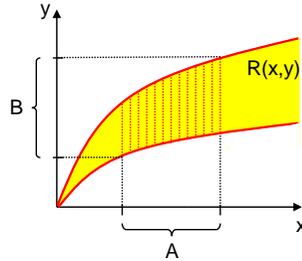
IF  $X \in A$  THEN  $Y \in B = \{y \in \mathcal{Y} : (x, y) \in R, x \in A\}$

also expressible via characteristic functions of sets A, B, R:

$B(y) = 1$  iff  $\exists x: A(x) = 1$  and  $R(x, y) = 1$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists x: \min\{A(x), R(x, y)\} = 1$

$\Leftrightarrow \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \min\{A(x), R(x, y)\} = 1$



$\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}: B(y) = \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \min\{A(x), R(x, y)\}$

**inference from fuzzy statements**

**Now:**  $A', B'$  fuzzy sets over  $\mathcal{X}$  resp.  $\mathcal{Y}$

Note:  
 $A'(x)$  is **not** the derivative of  $A(x)$ !  
 It is the membership function of fuzzy set  $A'$ .

Assume:  $R(x,y)$  and  $A'(x)$  are given.

Idea: Generalize characteristic function of  $B(y)$  to membership function  $B'(y)$

$\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}: B(y) = \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \min\{A(x), R(x, y)\}$  characteristic functions

$\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}: B'(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \min\{A'(x), R(x, y)\}$  membership functions

**composition rule of inference (in matrix form):  $B^T = A \circ R$**

**inference from fuzzy statements**

- conventional: modus ponens

$a \Rightarrow b$   
 $\frac{a}{b}$

- fuzzy: generalized modus ponens (GMP)

IF X is A, THEN Y is B  
 $\frac{X \text{ is } A'}{Y \text{ is } B'}$

e.g.: IF *heating* is hot, THEN *energy consumption* is high  
heating is warm  
*energy consumption* is normal

**example: GMP**

consider

A: 

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
0.5	1.0	0.6

B: 

$y_1$	$y_2$
1.0	0.4

with the rule: IF X is A THEN Y is B

given fact

A': 

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
0.6	0.9	0.7

$\Rightarrow$

<b>R</b>	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
$y_1$	1.0	1.0	1.0
$y_2$	0.9	0.4	0.8

with  $\text{Imp}(a,b) = \min\{1, 1-a+b\}$

thus:  $A' \circ R = B'$   $(0.6 \ 0.9 \ 0.7) \circ \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0.9 \\ 1.0 & 0.4 \\ 1.0 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} = (0.9 \ 0.7)$   
 with max-min-composition

inference from fuzzy statements

- conventional: modus tollens

$$\frac{a \Rightarrow b}{\bar{b}} \\ \hline \bar{a}$$

- fuzzy: generalized modus tollens (GMT)

$$\frac{\text{IF } X \text{ is } A, \text{ THEN } Y \text{ is } B \\ Y \text{ is } B'}{X \text{ is } A'}$$

e.g.: IF heating is hot, THEN energy consumption is high  
energy consumption is normal  
 heating is warm

**example: GMT**

consider

A:

x <sub>1</sub>	x <sub>2</sub>	x <sub>3</sub>
0.5	1.0	0.6

B:

y <sub>1</sub>	y <sub>2</sub>
1.0	0.4

with the rule: IF X is A THEN Y is B

given fact

B':

y <sub>1</sub>	y <sub>2</sub>
0.9	0.7

⇒

R

	x <sub>1</sub>	x <sub>2</sub>	x <sub>3</sub>
y <sub>1</sub>	1.0	1.0	1.0
y <sub>2</sub>	0.9	0.4	0.8

with Imp(a,b) = min{1, 1-a+b }

thus: B' ∘ R<sup>-1</sup> = A' ( 0.9 0.7 ) ∘ ( 1.0 1.0 1.0 / 0.9 0.4 0.8 ) = ( 0.9 0.9 0.9 )

with max-min-composition



inference from fuzzy statements

- conventional: hypothetic syllogism

$$\frac{a \Rightarrow b \\ b \Rightarrow c}{a \Rightarrow c}$$

- fuzzy: generalized HS

$$\frac{\text{IF } X \text{ is } A, \text{ THEN } Y \text{ is } B \\ \text{IF } Y \text{ is } B, \text{ THEN } Z \text{ is } C}{\text{IF } X \text{ is } A, \text{ THEN } Z \text{ is } C}$$

e.g.: IF heating is hot, THEN energy consumption is high  
IF energy consumption is high, THEN living is expensive  
 IF heating is hot, THEN living is expensive

**example: GHS**

let fuzzy sets A(x), B(x), C(x) be given

⇒ determine the three relations

$$R_1(x,y) = \text{Imp}(A(x),B(y)) \\ R_2(y,z) = \text{Imp}(B(y),C(z)) \\ R_3(x,z) = \text{Imp}(A(x),C(z))$$

and express them as matrices R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>

**We say:**

GHS is valid if R<sub>1</sub> ∘ R<sub>2</sub> = R<sub>3</sub>

So, ... what makes sense for  $\text{Imp}(\cdot, \cdot)$  ?

$\text{Imp}(a, b)$  ought to express fuzzy version of implication ( $a \Rightarrow b$ )

conventional:  $a \Rightarrow b$  identical to  $\bar{a} \vee b$

But how can we calculate with fuzzy “boolean” expressions?

**request:** must be compatible to crisp version (and more) for  $a, b \in \{0, 1\}$

a	b	$a \wedge b$	$t(a, b)$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1

a	b	$a \vee b$	$s(a, b)$
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1

a	$\bar{a}$	$c(a)$
0	1	1
1	0	0

So, ... what makes sense for  $\text{Imp}(\cdot, \cdot)$  ?

**1st approach: S implications**

conventional:  $a \Rightarrow b$  identical to  $\bar{a} \vee b$

fuzzy:  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = s(c(a), b)$

**2nd approach: R implications**

conventional:  $a \Rightarrow b$  identical to  $\max\{x \in \{0, 1\} : a \wedge x \leq b\}$

fuzzy:  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \max\{x \in [0, 1] : t(a, x) \leq b\}$

**3rd approach: QL implications**

conventional:  $a \Rightarrow b$  identical to  $\bar{a} \vee b \equiv \bar{a} \vee (a \wedge b)$  law of absorption

fuzzy:  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = s(c(a), t(a, b))$  (dual tripel ?)

**example: S implication**  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = s(c_s(a), b)$  ( $c_s$ : std. complement)

1. Kleene-Dienes implication

$s(a, b) = \max\{a, b\}$  (standard)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \max\{1-a, b\}$

2. Reichenbach implication

$s(a, b) = a + b - ab$  (algebraic sum)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = 1 - a + ab$

3. Łukasiewicz implication

$s(a, b) = \min\{1, a + b\}$  (bounded sum)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \min\{1, 1 - a + b\}$

**example: R implicationen**  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \max\{x \in [0, 1] : t(a, x) \leq b\}$

1. Gödel implication

$t(a, b) = \min\{a, b\}$  (std.)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } a \leq b \\ b & , \text{ else } \end{cases}$

2. Goguen implication

$t(a, b) = ab$  (algeb. product)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } a \leq b \\ \frac{b}{a} & , \text{ else } \end{cases}$

3. Łukasiewicz implication

$t(a, b) = \max\{0, a + b - 1\}$  (bounded diff.)  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \min\{1, 1 - a + b\}$

**example: QL implication**  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = s( c(a), t(a, b) )$

1. Zadeh implication

$$t(a, b) = \min \{ a, b \} \quad (\text{std.}) \quad \text{Imp}(a, b) = \max\{ 1 - a, \min\{a, b\} \}$$

$$s(a,b) = \max\{ a, b \} \quad (\text{std.})$$

2. „NN“ implication ☺ (Klir/Yuan 1994)

$$t(a, b) = ab \quad (\text{algebr. prod.}) \quad \text{Imp}(a, b) = 1 - a + a^2b$$

$$s(a,b) = a + b - ab \quad (\text{algebr. sum})$$

3. Kleene-Dienes implication

$$t(a, b) = \max\{ 0, a + b - 1 \} \quad (\text{bounded diff.}) \quad \text{Imp}(a, b) = \max\{ 1-a, b \}$$

$$s(a,b) = \min \{ 1, a + b \} \quad (\text{bounded sum})$$

**axioms for fuzzy implications**

- 1.  $a \leq b$  implies  $\text{Imp}(a, x) \geq \text{Imp}(b, x)$  monotone in 1st argument
- 2.  $a \leq b$  implies  $\text{Imp}(x, a) \leq \text{Imp}(x, b)$  monotone in 2nd argument
- 3.  $\text{Imp}(0, a) = 1$  dominance of falseness
- 4.  $\text{Imp}(1, b) = b$  neutrality of trueness
- 5.  $\text{Imp}(a, a) = 1$  identity
- 6.  $\text{Imp}(a, \text{Imp}(b, x)) = \text{Imp}(b, \text{Imp}(a, x))$  exchange property
- 7.  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = 1$  iff  $a \leq b$  boundary condition
- 8.  $\text{Imp}(a, b) = \text{Imp}( c(b), c(a) )$  contraposition
- 9.  $\text{Imp}(\cdot, \cdot)$  is continuous continuity

**Caution!**

Not all S-, R-, QL- implications obey all axioms for fuzzy implications!

Implication	Valid Axioms
Kleene-Dienes	1 2 3 4 – 6 – 8 9
Reichenbach	1 2 3 4 – 6 – 8 9
Łukasiewicz	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ←
Gödel	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 – –
Goguen	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 – 9
Zadeh	1 2 3 4 – – – – 9
Klir-Yuan	– 2 3 4 – – – – 9

**characterization of fuzzy implication**

**Theorem:**  
 $\text{Imp}: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  satisfies axioms 1 - 9 for fuzzy implications for a certain fuzzy complement  $c(\cdot) \Leftrightarrow$

- ∃ strictly monotone increasing, continuous function  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  with
  - $f(0) = 0$
  - $\forall a, b \in [0,1]: \text{Imp}(a, b) = f^{-1}( \min\{ f(1) - f(a) + f(b), f(1) \} )$
  - $\forall a \in [0,1]: c(a) = f^{-1}( f(1) - f(a) )$

**Proof:** Smets & Magrez (1987), p. 337f. ■

**examples:** (in tutorial)

**choosing an „appropriate“ fuzzy implication ...**

**apt quotation:** (Klir & Yuan 1995, p. 312)

„To select an appropriate fuzzy implication for approximate reasoning under each particular situation is a difficult problem.“

**guideline:**

GMP, GMT, GHS should be compatible with MP, MT, HS

for fuzzy implication in calculations with relations:

$$B(y) = \sup \{ t(A(x), \text{Imp}(A(x), B(y))) : x \in X \}$$

**example:**

Gödel implication for t-norm = bounded difference