# Max, Min, Average Circuits

#### ECE 320 Electronics I

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# **Fuzzy Logic:**

Fuzzy Logic is a branch of mathematics which deals with implementing rules for statements which are only partially true.

Example: The speed of a car could be defined as

- Fast if you're going 50mph
- Medium if you're going 30mph, and
- Slow if you're going 10mph.

What is 35mph?

With fuzzy logic, you can have degrees of truth. For example, with *fast, medium*, *slow* could be defined below, a 35mph would be

- Slow with a degree of truth being 0.00
- Medium with a degree of truth being 0.70, and
- Fast with a degree of truth being 0.30



Fuzzy Logic: Statements can be partially true

Useful when describing behavior

- If you are traveling during the day, and the roads are in good condition, and you are far from the next turn, and you are far from a city, drive fast.
- If you are approaching a turn or approaching a town, go medium.
- If you are turning or are driving by a school, drive slow
- etc.

If you could

- Come up with a rule base for an expert driver, and
- Implement this rule base

you could have every car (or subway car) driven by that expert

• or mathematical equivalent

# **Applications of Fuzzy Logic**

https://www.tutorialspoint.com/fuzzy\_logic/fuzzy\_logic\_applications.htm

- Altitude Control of Spacecraft
- Appliances: Vacuum Cleaners, Washing Machines
- Automotive: Idle Speed Control
- Business: Personnel Evaluation
- Defense: Underwater Target Recognition
- Electronics: Exposure in Cameras, A/C, Microwave Ovens
- Optimizing Milk Production
- Securities Trading
- Ship Autopilots
- Speech and Handwriting Recognition
- Train Operation
- Water Purification Plants



# AND, OR, NOT

**Logical AND:** Logical AND has the following truth table:

| А | В | A and B |
|---|---|---------|
| 0 | 0 | 0       |
| 0 | 1 | 0       |
| 1 | 0 | 0       |
| 1 | 1 | 1       |

A consistent definition of and is min

 $A \cdot B = \min(A, B)$ 

 $(70\% \text{ true}) \text{ and } (30\% \text{ true}) = \min(70\%, 30\%) = 30\%$ 

#### Logical OR: Logical OR has the following truth table

| А | В | A or B |
|---|---|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0      |
| 0 | 1 | 1      |
| 1 | 0 | 1      |
| 1 | 1 | 1      |

A consistent definition of *or* is *max* 

 $A + B = \max(A, B)$ 

With this definition, you can now evaluate logical *and* when statements are partially true:

 $(70\% \text{ true}) \text{ or } (30\% \text{ true}) = \max(70\%, 30\%) = 70\%$ 

**Logical NOT:** NOT has the following truth table:

| А | not A |
|---|-------|
| 0 | 1     |
| 1 | 0     |

A consistent definition of not is

$$\sim A = 1 - A$$

With this definition, you can now evaluate logical *not*:

not(70% true) = 30%

# Max Circuit: (Logic OR)

- Design a circuit which outputs the maximum of four voltages.
- Design a circuit which computes OR function in Fuzzy Logic
- Solution: Use four diodes
  - Highest votlage wins



# Min Circuit: (Logic AND)

- Design a circuit which outputs the minimum of four voltages.
- Design a circuit which computes the AND function in Fuzzy Logic
- Solution: Use four diodes
  - Lowest voltage wins



#### Min / Max Circuits:

- Inputs: A, B, C. 0-10V signals, capable of 10mA.
- Outputs: Y, capable of driving a 100k load (0.1mA @ 10V)
- Relationship: Y = max(A, min(B,C)) = A + BC (using Fuzzy Logic)



This results in Y = 8.0V (X - 0.7V drop across diode D3). The currents are then

- Id1 = 0mA (diode is off)
- Id4 = 0mA (diode is off)
- Id3 = 0.88mA
- Id2 = 2.42mA.



## Handout

Determine the voltages and currents. Assume ideal silicon diodes.



### **Average Circuit:**

Problem: Design a circuit which computes the average of four voltages.Solution: This is a linear function

$$Y = \frac{1}{4}(A + B + C + D)$$

You don't need electronics (nonlinear elements)

- Solve using resistors
- Circuits I problem

Ra = Rb = Rc = Rd = R:  

$$\left(\frac{Y-A}{R}\right) + \left(\frac{Y-B}{R}\right) + \left(\frac{Y-C}{R}\right) + \left(\frac{Y-D}{R}\right) = 0$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{4}(A + B + C + D)$$



## **Weighted Average**

- To weight an input with X, divide R by X
- Smaler R means higher weighting

Example:

$$Y = \frac{1}{4}X + 2.5 = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)(1 \cdot X + 2 \cdot 5V + 1 \cdot 0V)$$

Weights are  $\{1, 2, 1\}$ 





# Summary

With diodes, you can determine

- The maximum of N voltages, or
- The minimum of N voltages

With this, you can implement fuzzy logic

• But... you lose 0.7V for each AND / OR gate