

Probability logics

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- <http://www.mi.sanu.ac.rs/projects/044006e.htm>

History (1)

- Leibnitz (1646 – 1716)
 - "I have said more than once that we need a new kind of logic, concerned with degrees of probability. . . . This would be of great value in improving the art of invention . . ."
(New Essays on Human Understanding, pp. 465-66, 1703)
- Bernoullies, Bayes, Lambert, Bolzano, De Morgan, MacColl, Peirce, Poretskiy, . . .
- Laplace (1749 – 1827)

History (2)

George Boole (1815 – 1864), An Investigation into the Laws of Thought, on which are founded the Mathematical Theories of Logic and Probabilities (1854):

logical functions:

$$f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

...

$$f_k(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

probabilities:

$$p_1 = P(f_1(x_1, \dots, x_m))$$

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solve: $P(F(x_1, \dots, x_m))$ using p_1, \dots, p_k

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- To check consistency of (finite) sets of sentences.
- To deduce probabilities of conclusions from uncertain premisses.

What are PLs?

Logic:

- syntax (language, well formed formulas)
- axiomatic system (axioms, rules)
- proof
- semantics (models, satisfiability)
- consequence relation

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 - add new operators

- The probability logics allow strict reasoning *about* probabilities using well-defined syntax and semantics.
- Formulas in these logics remain either true or false.
- Formulas do not have probabilistic (numerical) truth values.
- Probability logics are not fuzzy logics.

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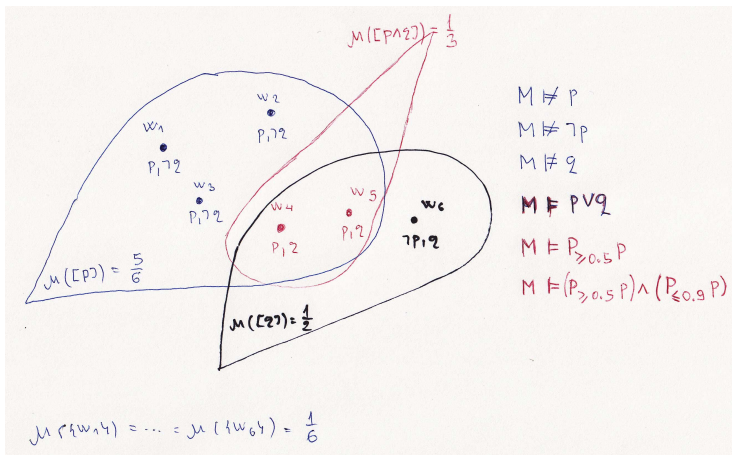
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- $(P_{\geq s}\alpha \wedge P_{< t}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)) \rightarrow P_{=r}\beta$

Semantics (1)

- A probabilistic model $M = \langle W, H, \mu, \nu \rangle$:
 - W is a nonempty set of elements called worlds,
 - H is an algebra of subsets of W ,
 - $\mu : H \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a finitely additive probability measure, and
 - $\nu : W \times \text{Var} \rightarrow \{\top, \perp\}$ is a valuation

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- Robert J. Auman, Interactive epistemology II: Probability, International journal of Game Theory 28, 301–314, 1999:
"In the case of probability (knowledge-belief), we have not succeeded in developing a deductive logic that allows us to establish such a result formally."

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- Handling inconsistent knowledge bases:
 - There exists a measure assigning to all formulas probability $\geq 1 - \frac{1}{n}$.
 - $KB = \text{true part} \cup \text{statements believed to be probable, on the basis of the certain facts}$

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- A Model Checker for Probabilistic temporal logic (R. Donaldson, D. Gilbert, 2008):
 - Development of techniques for the engineering of living systems in a rigorous manner.
 - More reliable Synthetic Biology - the (re)design and construction of new/existing biological parts, devices, and systems.

PSAT (1)

Theorem

PSAT is NP-complete.

Our approach:

- reduction to the linear programming problem
- linear systems that correspond to formulas are exponentially bigger than the original formulas
- we use heuristics (VNS, Genetic/Bee Colony algorithms) to solve the problem
- we can solve the biggest reported instances (with 200 propositional letters, i.e. systems with 2^{200} variables and models with 2^{200} worlds)

PSAT (2)

- $P_{\geq 0.7}(p \rightarrow q) \wedge P_{\geq 0.6}(q)$
- $P_{\geq 0.7}((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q))$
 \wedge
 $P_{\geq 0.6}((p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q))$
- Formula is satisfiable iff the following linear system is solvable:

$$\mu(p \wedge q) + \mu(p \wedge \neg q) + \mu(\neg p \wedge q) + \mu(\neg p \wedge \neg q) = 1$$

$$\mu(p \wedge q) \geq 0$$

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$$\mu(p \wedge \neg q) + \mu(\neg p \wedge q) + \mu(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \geq 0.7$$

$$\mu(p \wedge q) + \mu(\neg p \wedge q) \geq 0.6$$

Links

- Publications:
<http://www.mi.sanu.ac.rs/~zorano/papers.html>
- Weighted Logics for AI conference:
<http://www.iiia.csic.es/wl4ai-2015/>
- Probabilistic logics and applications, October 2-3, 2014, Belgrade:
<http://www.mi.sanu.ac.rs/conferences/conferences.htm>