Managing Uncertainty and Vagueness in Semantic Web Languages

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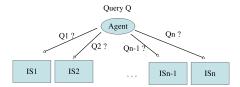


Sources of Uncertainty and Vagueness on the Web

- Resource discovery:
 - To which degree is a Web site, a Web page, a text passage, an image region, a video segment, ... relevant to my information need?
- Matchmaking
 - To which degree does an object match my requirements?
 - if I'm looking for a car and my budget is about 20.000 €, to which degree does a car's price of 20.500 € match my budget?

- Semantic annotation
 - To which degree does e.g., an image object represent a dog?
- Information extraction
 - To which degree am I'm sure that e.g., SW is an acronym of "Semantic Web"?
- Ontology alignment (schema mapping)
 - To which degree do two concepts of two ontologies represent the same, or are disjoint, or are overlapping?
- Representation of background knowledge
 - To some degree birds fly.
 - To some degree Jim is a blond and young.

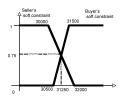
Example (Distributed Information Retrieval) [7]



Then the agent has to perform automatically the following steps:

- ① The agent has to select a subset of relevant resources $\mathscr{S}' \subseteq \mathscr{S}$, as it is not reasonable to assume to access to and query all resources (resource selection/resource discovery);
- For every selected source $S_i \in \mathscr{S}'$ the agent has to reformulate its information need Q_A into the query language \mathcal{L}_i provided by the resource (schema mapping/ontology alignment);
- The results from the selected resources have to be merged together (data fusion/rank aggregation)

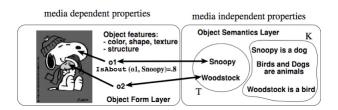
Example (Negotiation) [2]



- A car seller sells an Audi TT for 31500 €, as from the catalog price.
- A buyer is looking for a sports-car, but wants to to pay not more than around 30000 €
- Classical DLs: the problem relies on the crisp conditions on price.
- More fine grained approach: to consider prices as vague constraints (fuzzy sets)
 (as usual in negotiation)
 - Seller would sell above 31500 €, but can go down to 30500 €
 - The buyer prefers to spend less than 30000 €, but can go up to 32000 €
 - Highest degree of matching is 0.75. The car may be sold at 31250 €.

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Example (Logic-based information retrieval model)[1, 8]



IsAbout			
ImageRegion Object ID degree			
01	snoopy	0.8	
<i>o</i> 2	woodstock	0.7	
•			

"Find top-k image regions about animals"

 $Query(x) \leftarrow ImageRegion(x) \land isAbout(x, y) \land Animal(y)$

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Example (Database query) [3, 4, 5, 6]

HoteIID	hasLoc	ConferenceID	hasLoc
h1	h/1	c1	c/1
h2	hl2	c2	cl2

hasLoc	hasLoc	distance	hasLoc	hasLoc	close	cheap
h/1	c/1	300	h/1	<i>cl</i> 1	0.7	0.3
h/1	cl2	500	h/1	cl2	0.5	0.5
hl2	c/1	750	hl2	c/1	0.25	0.8
hl2	cl2	800	hl2	cl2	0.2	0.9
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"Find top-k cheapest hotels close to the train station"

 $q(h) \leftarrow hasLocation(h, hl) \land hasLocation(train, cl) \land close(hl, cl) \land cheap(h)$



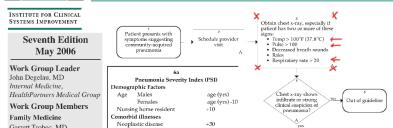
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Example (Health-care: diagnosis of pneumonia)

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Health Care Guideline:

Community-Acquired Pneumonia in Adults



- E.g., Temp = 37.5, Pulse = 98, RespiratoryRate = 18 are in the "danger zone" already
- Temperature, Pulse and Respiratory rate, . . .: these constraints are rather imprecise than crisp



Uncertainty vs. Vagueness: a clarification

- What does the degree mean?
- There is often a misunderstanding between interpreting a degree as a measure of uncertainty or as a measure of vagueness
- The value 0.83 has a different interpretation in "Birds fly to degree 0.83" from that in "Hotel Verdi is close to the train station to degree 0.83"

Uncertainty

- Uncertainty: statements are true or false. But, due to lack of knowledge we can only estimate to which probability/possibility/necessity degree they are true or false
 - For instance, a bird flies or does not fly. The probability/possibility/necessity degree that it flies is 0.83
- Usually we have a possible world semantics with a distribution over possible worlds:

$$\begin{split} \textit{W} = & \{\textit{I} \text{ classical interpretation}\}, \ \textit{I}(\varphi) \in \{0,1\} \\ & \mu \colon \textit{W} \to [0,1], \ \mu(\textit{I}) \in [0,1] \\ & \textit{Pr}(\phi) = \sum_{\textit{I} \models \phi} \mu(\textit{I}) \\ & \textit{Poss}(\phi) = \sup_{\textit{I} \models \phi} \mu(\textit{I}) \\ & \textit{Necc}(\phi) = \inf_{\textit{I} \not\models \phi} \mu(\textit{I}) = 1 - \textit{Poss}(\neg \phi) \end{split}$$

Vagueness

- Vagueness: statements involve concepts for which there is no exact definition, such as tall, small, close, far, cheap, expensive, isAbout, similarTo. Statements are true to some degree which is taken from a truth space.
 - E.g., "Hotel Verdi is close to the train station to degree 0.83"
- ullet Truth space: set of truth values L and an partial order \leq
- Many-valued Interpretation: a function I mapping formulae into L, i.e. $I(\varphi) \in L$
- Fuzzy Logic: L = [0, 1]
- Uncertainty and Vagueness: "It is possible/probable to degree 0.83 that it will be hot tomorrow"
- The notion of imperfect information covers concepts such as uncertainty, vagueness, contradiction, incompleteness, imprecision.



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Web Ontology Languages

- Wide variety of languages for "Explicit Specification"
 - Graphical notations
 - Semantic networks
 - UML
 - RDF/RDFS
 - Logic based
 - Description Logics (e.g., OIL, DAML+OIL, OWL, OWL-DL, OWL-Lite)
 - Rules (e.g., RuleML, RIF, SWRL, LP/Prolog)
 - First Order Logic (e.g., KIF)
- Degree of formality varies widely
 - Increased formality makes languages more amenable to machine processing (e.g., automated reasoning)
- RDF and OWL-DL are the major players (so far ...)



RDF

Statements are of the form

⟨subject, predicate, object⟩

called triples: e.g.

⟨umberto, plays, soccer⟩

can be represented graphically as:

umberto
$$\stackrel{plays}{\longrightarrow}$$
 soccer

- Statements describe properties of resources
- A resource is any object that can be pointed to by a URI:
 - a document, a picture, a paragraph on the Web;
 - http://www.cs.man.ac.uk/index.html
 - a book in the library, a real person (?)
 - isbn://5031-4444-3333
 - ...
 - Properties themselves are also resources (URIs)

RDF Schema (RDFS)

- RDF Schema allows you to define vocabulary terms and the relations between those terms
- RDF Schema terms (just a few examples):
 - Class
 - Property
 - type
 - subClassOf
 - range
 - domain
- These terms are the RDF Schema building blocks (constructors) used to create vocabularies:

```
<Person.type, Class>
<hasColleague, type, Property>
<Professor, subClassOf,Person>
<Carole, type,Professor>
<hasColleague, range,Person>
<hasColleague, domain,Person>
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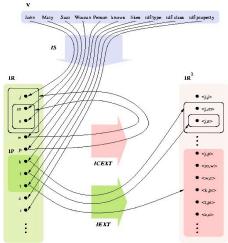
RDF/RDFS Semantics

- RDF has "Non-standard" semantics in order to deal with this
- Semantics given by RDF Model Theory (MT)
- In RDF MT, an interpretation I of a vocabulary V consists of:
 - IR. a non-empty set of resources, called the domain of I.
 - IS, a mapping from URI references in V into IR
 - IP. a distinguished subset of IR (the set of properties of I)
 - A vocabulary element $v \in V$ is a property iff $IS(v) \in IP$
 - IEXT, a mapping from IP into the powerset of $IR \times IR$, IEXT(x) is called the extension of x
 - I.e., a set of elements $\langle x, y \rangle$, with x, y elements of IR
 - I.e., is a set of pairs which identify the arguments for which the property is true
 - This trick of distinguishing a relation as an object from its relational extension allows a
 property to occur in its own extension
 - IL, a mapping from typed literals in V into IR
 - A distinguished subset LV of IR, called the set of literal values, which contains all the plain literals in
- Class interpretation ICEXT simply induced by IEXT(IS(type))
 - $ICEXT(C) = \{x \mid \langle x, C \rangle \in IEXT(IS(type))\}$

(http://www.w3.org/TR/rdf-mt/)



Example RDF/RDFS Interpretation



RDFS Interpretations

- RDFS adds extra constraints on interpretations
 - E.g., interpretations of ⟨C, subClassOf, D⟩ constrained to those where ICEXT(IS(C)) ⊆ ICEXT(IS(D))
- Can deal with triples such as

```
<Species,type,Class>
<Lion,type,Species>
<Leo,type,Lion>
<SelfInst,type,SelfInst>
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And even with triples such as

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<type, subPropertyOf, subClassOf>
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But not clear if meaning matches intuition (if there is one)



OWL [10]

- Three species of OWL
 - OWL full is union of OWL syntax and RDF (Undecidable)
 - OWL DL restricted to FOL fragment (decidable in NEXPTIME)
 - OWL Lite is "easier to implement" subset of OWL DL (decidable in EXPTIME)
- Semantic layering
 - OWL DL within Description Logic (DL) fragment
- OWL DL based on $SHOIN(D_n)$ DL
- OWL Lite based on $SHIF(D_n)$ DL

Description Logics (DLs)

- The logics behind OWL-DL and OWL-Lite, http://dl.kr.org/.
- Concept/Class: names are equivalent to unary predicates
 - In general, concepts equiv to formulae with one free variable
- Role or attribute: names are equivalent to binary predicates
 - In general, roles equiv to formulae with two free variables
- Taxonomy: Concept and role hierarchies can be expressed
- Individual: names are equivalent to constants
- Operators: restricted so that:
 - Language is decidable and, if possible, of low complexity
 - No need for explicit use of variables
 - Restricted form of \exists and \forall
 - Features such as counting can be succinctly expressed



The DL Family

- A given DL is defined by set of concept and role forming operators
- Basic language: ALC(Attributive Language with Complement)

Syntax	Semantics	Example
$C, D \rightarrow \top$	T(x)	
	$ \perp(x)$	
Α	A(x)	Human
$C\sqcap D$	$C(x) \wedge D(x)$	Human □ Male
$C \sqcup D$	$C(x) \vee D(x)$	Nice ⊔ Rich
$\neg C$	$\neg C(x)$	¬Meat
∃R.C	$\exists y.R(x,y) \land C(y)$	∃has_child.Blond
∀R.C	$\forall y.R(x,y) \Rightarrow C(y)$	∀has_child.Human
$C \sqsubseteq D$	$\forall x. C(x) \Rightarrow D(x)$	Happy_Father ☐ Man □ ∃has_child.Female
a:C	C(a)	John:Happy_Father

Toy Example

 $Sex = Male \sqcup Female$

 $Male \sqcap Female \sqsubseteq \bot$

Person \sqsubseteq Human $\sqcap \exists$ has Sex. Sex

 $MalePerson \sqsubseteq Person \sqcap \exists hasSex.Male$

umberto:Person □ ∃*hasSex*.¬*Female*

 $KB \models umberto:MalePerson$

Note on DL Naming

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\mathcal{AL}: C, D \longrightarrow \top \mid \bot \mid A \mid C \sqcap D \mid \neg A \mid \exists R. \top \mid \forall R. C
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- C: Concept negation, $\neg C$. Thus, ALC = AL + C
- \mathcal{S} : Used for \mathcal{ALC} with transitive roles \mathcal{R}_+
- U: Concept disjunction, $C_1 \sqcup C_2$
- \mathcal{E} : Existential quantification, $\exists R.C$
- \mathcal{H} : Role inclusion axioms, $R_1 \sqsubseteq R_2$, e.g. $is_component_of \sqsubseteq is_part_of$
- \mathcal{N} : Number restrictions, $(\geq n R)$ and $(\leq n R)$, e.g. $(\geq 3 has_Child)$ (has at least 3 children)
- Q: Qualified number restrictions, (≥ n R.C) and (≤ n R.C), e.g. (≤ 2 has_Child.Adult) (has at most 2 adult children)
- \mathcal{O} : Nominals (singleton class), $\{a\}$, e.g. $\exists has_child.\{mary\}$. **Note**: a:C equiv to $\{a\} \sqsubseteq C$ and (a,b):R equiv to $\{a\} \sqsubseteq \exists R.\{b\}$
- \mathcal{I} : Inverse role, R^- , e.g. is $PartOf = hasPart^-$
- \mathcal{F} : Functional role, f, e.g. functional(hasAge)
- \mathcal{R}_+ : transitive role, e.g. *transitive*(*isPartOf*)

For instance.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{SHIF} &=& \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{H} + \mathcal{I} + \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{ALCR}_{+} \mathcal{HIF} & \text{OWL-Lite (exptime)} \\ \mathcal{SHOIN} &=& \mathcal{S} + \mathcal{H} + \mathcal{O} + \mathcal{I} + \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{ALCR}_{+} \mathcal{HOIN} & \text{OWL-DL (NEXPTIME)} \end{array}$$

Semantics of Additional Constructs

- \mathcal{H} : Role inclusion axioms, $\mathcal{I} \models R_1 \sqsubseteq R_2$ iff $R_1^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq R_1^{\mathcal{I}}$
- \mathcal{N} : Number restrictions, $(\geq n R)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} : |\{y \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}}\}| \geq n\},$ $(< n R)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} : |\{y \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}}\}| < n\}$
- Q: Qualified number restrictions,

$$(\geq n R.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x \in |\{y \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}} \land y \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}| \geq n\}, (\leq n R.C)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} : |\{y \mid \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}} \land y \in C^{\mathcal{I}}\}| \leq n\}$$

- \mathcal{O} : Nominals (singleton class), $\{a\}^{\mathcal{I}} = \{a^{\mathcal{I}}\}$
- \mathcal{I} : Inverse role, $(R^-)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle \mid \langle y, x \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}} \}$
- \mathcal{F} : Functional role, $I \models fun(f)$ iff $\forall z \forall y \forall z$ if $\langle x, y \rangle \in f^{\mathcal{I}}$ and $\langle x, z \rangle \in f^{\mathcal{I}}$ the y = z
- \mathcal{R}_+ : transitive role, $(R_+)^{\mathcal{I}} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle \mid \exists z \text{ such that } \langle x, z \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}} \land \langle z, y \rangle \in R^{\mathcal{I}} \}$

Concrete Domains

Concrete domains: reals, integers, strings, ...

```
(tim, 14):hasAge
(sf, "SoftComputing"):hasAcronym
(source1, "ComputerScience"):isAbout
(service2, "InformationRetrievalTool"):Matches
Minor = Person □ ∃hasAge. ≤18
```

- Semantics: a clean separation between "object" classes and concrete domains
 - $D = \langle \Delta_D, \Phi_D \rangle$
 - Δ_D is an interpretation domain
 - Φ_D is the set of concrete domain predicates d with a predefined arity n and fixed interpretation d^D ⊆ Δⁿ_D
 - Concrete properties: $R^{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \Delta^{\mathcal{I}} \times \Delta_{\mathcal{D}}$
- Notation: (D). E.g., ALC(D) is ALC + concrete domains

OWL DL as Description Logic

Concept/Class constructors:

Abstract Syntax	DL Syntax	Example
Descriptions (C)		
A (URI reference)	Α	Conference
owl:Thing	T	
owl:Nothing		
intersectionOf($C_1 C_2 \dots$)	$C_1 \sqcap C_2$	Reference∏Journal
unionOf(C_1 C_2)	$C_1 \sqcup C_2$	Organization 🗆 Institution
complementOf(C)	$\neg C$	¬ MasterThesis
oneOf(o ₁)	$\{o_1, \ldots\}$	{"WISE","ISWC",}
restriction(R someValuesFrom(C))	∃R.C	∃parts.InCollection
restriction(R allValuesFrom(C))	∀R.C	∀date.Date
restriction(R hasValue(o))	∃R.{o}	∃date.{2005}
restriction(R minCardinality(n))	$(\geq nR)$	(≥ 1 location)
restriction(R maxCardinality(n))	$(\leq nR)$	(≤ 1 publisher)
restriction(U someValuesFrom(D))	∃U.D	∃issue.integer
restriction(U allValuesFrom(D))	∀U.D	∀name.string
restriction(U hasValue(v))	$\exists U. =_{V} $	∃series.= _{"LNCS"}
restriction $(U \min Cardinality(n))$	(≥ n U)	(≥ 1 title)
restriction(U maxCardinality(n))	(≤ <i>n U</i>)	(≤ 1 author)

Note: R is an abstract role, while U is a concrete property of arity two.

Axioms:

Abstract Syntax	DL Syntax	Example
Axioms		
Class(A partial $C_1 \dots C_n$)	$A \sqsubseteq C_1 \sqcap \ldots \sqcap C_n$	Human ⊑ Animal □ Biped
Class $(A \text{ complete } C_1 \dots C_n)$	$A = C_1 \sqcap \ldots \sqcap C_n$	Man = Human □ Male
EnumeratedClass $(A o_1 \dots o_n)$	$A = \{o_1\} \sqcup \ldots \sqcup \{o_n\}$	$RGB = \{r\} \sqcup \{g\} \sqcup \{b\}$
SubClassOf (C_1C_2)	$C_1 \sqsubseteq C_2$	
EquivalentClasses $(C_1 \dots C_n)$	$C_1 = \ldots = C_n$	
DisjointClasses $(C_1 \dots C_n)$	$C_i \sqcap C_j = \perp, i \neq j$	Male □ Female ⊑⊥
ObjectProperty(R super (R_1) super (R_n)	$R \sqsubseteq R_i$	HasDaughter ⊑ hasChild
$ ext{domain}(C_1) \dots ext{domain}(C_n)$	$(\geq 1 R) \sqsubseteq C_i$	(≥ 1 hasChild) ⊑ Human
$range(C_1) \dots range(C_n)$	$\top \sqsubseteq \forall R.C_i$	⊤ ⊑ ∀hasChild.Human
[inverseof(P)]	$R = P^-$	hasChild = hasParent -
[symmetric]	$R = R^-$	similar = similar -
[functional]	T ⊑ (≤ 1 R)	$\top \sqsubseteq (\leq 1 \text{ hasMother})$
[Inversefunctional]	⊤ □ (< 1 R ⁻)	
[Transitive])	Tr(R)	Tr(ancestor)
SubPropertyOf(R_1R_2)	$R_1 \stackrel{.}{\sqsubseteq} R_2$	` '
EquivalentProperties $(R_1 \dots R_n)$	$R_1 = \ldots = R_n$	cost = price
AnnotationProperty(S)		

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Abstract Syntax	DL Syntax	Example
DatatypeProperty(U super (U_1) super (U_n) domain(C_1) domain(C_n) range(D_1) range(D_n) [functional]) SubPropertyOf(U_1U_2) EquivalentProperties(U_1 U_n)	$U \sqsubseteq U_{i}$ $(\geq 1 \ U) \sqsubseteq C_{i}$ $\top \sqsubseteq \forall U.D_{i}$ $\top \sqsubseteq (\leq 1 \ U)$ $U_{1} \sqsubseteq U_{2}$ $U_{1} = \dots = U_{n}$	(≥ 1 hasAge)
Individuals		
$ \begin{array}{c} \text{Individual}(o \text{ type } (C_1) \dots \text{ type } (C_n)) \\ \text{ value}(R_1 \circ_1) \dots \text{ value}(R_n \circ_n) \\ \text{ value}(U_1 v_1) \dots \text{ value}(U_n v_n) \\ \text{SameIndividual}(\circ_1 \dots \circ_n) \\ \text{DifferentIndividuals}(o_1 \dots o_n) \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} o: C_i \\ (o, o_i): R_i \\ (o, v_1): U_i \\ o_1 = \dots = o_n \\ o_i \neq o_j, i \neq j \end{array} $	tim:Human (tim, mary):hasChild (tim, 14):hasAge president_Bush = G.W.Bush john ≠ peter
Symbols		
Object Property R (URI reference) Datatype Property U (URI reference) Individual o (URI reference) Data Value v (RDF literal)	R U U U	hasChild hasAge tim "ESWC07"

LPs Basics (for ease, without default negation) [6]

- Predicates are n-ary
- Terms are variables or constants
- Rules are of the form

$$P(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \varphi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

where $\varphi(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})$ is a formula built from atoms of the form $B(\mathbf{z})$ and connectors \wedge,\vee For instance.

$$has_father(x, y) \leftarrow has_parent(x, y) \land Male(y)$$

 Facts are rules with empty body For instance.

LPs Semantics: FOL semantics

- P* is constructed as follows:
 - lacktriangle set \mathcal{P}^* to the set of all ground instantiations of rules in \mathcal{P} :
 - **2** if atom A is not head of any rule in \mathcal{P}^* , then add $A \leftarrow 0$ to \mathcal{P}^* ;
 - replace several rules in \mathcal{P}^* having same head

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A \leftarrow \varphi_1 \\ A \leftarrow \varphi_2 \\ \vdots \\ A \leftarrow \varphi_n \end{array} \right\} \text{ with } A \leftarrow \varphi_1 \vee \varphi_2 \vee \ldots \vee \varphi_n \, .$$

- Note: in \mathcal{P}^* each atom $A \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{P}}$ is head of exactly one rule
- Herbrand Base of \mathcal{P} is the set $B_{\mathcal{P}}$ of ground atoms
- Interpretation is a function $I: B_{\mathcal{P}} \to \{0, 1\}$.
- Model $I \models \mathcal{P}$ iff for all $r \in \mathcal{P}^*$ $I \models r$, where $I \models A \leftarrow \varphi$ iff $I(\varphi) \leq I(A)$
- Least model exists and is least fixed-point of

$$T_{\mathcal{P}}(I)(A) = I(\varphi)$$
, for all $A \leftarrow \varphi \in \mathcal{P}^*$



Toy Example

$$Q(x) \leftarrow B(x)$$

$$Q(x) \leftarrow C(x)$$

$$B(a) \leftarrow$$

$$C(b) \leftarrow$$

$$KB \models Q(a) \quad KB \models Q(b) \quad answers(KB, Q) = \{a, b\}$$

where
$$answers(KB, Q) = \{ \mathbf{c} \mid KB \models Q(\mathbf{c}) \}$$



DLPs Basics

- Combine DLs with LPs:
 - DL atoms and roles may appear in rules

$$buy(x) \leftarrow Electronics(x), offer(x)$$

 $Camera \sqsubseteq Electronics$

- Knowledge Base is a pair $KB = \langle \mathcal{P}, \Sigma \rangle$, where
 - ullet \mathcal{P} is a logic program
 - Σ is a DL knowledge base (set of assertions and inclusion axioms)
- Many different approaches exists with different semantics: we present the basics of two of them



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Loosely Coupled DL-Programs [3, 4, 5]

- A dl-query Q(t) is of the form:
 - C(t), with a concept C and a term t;
 - $R(t_1, t_2)$, with a role R and terms t_1, t_2 .
- A dl-rule r is of form

$$a \leftarrow b_1, \ldots, b_k$$

where any $b \in Body(r)$ may be a dl-atom $DL[Q](\mathbf{t})$

$$buy(x) \leftarrow DL[Electronics](x), offer(x)$$

 $Camera \sqsubseteq Electronics$

 Note: [3, 4, 5] considers more expressive dl-queries, non-monotone negation and disjunctive LPs



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Semantics

- DL atoms and roles are "procedural attachments" (calls to a DL theorem prover)
 - I is a model of $KB = \langle L, P \rangle$ iff $I^L \models P$
 - I^L is a model of a ground non-DL atom $A \in B_P$ iff I(A) = 1
 - I^L is a model of a ground DL atom DL[C](a) iff $L \models a:C$
 - I^L is a model of a ground DL role DL[R](a,b) iff $L \models (a,b):R$
- Minimal model exists and fixed-point characterization:

$$T_{\mathcal{P}}(I)(A) = I^{L}(\varphi)$$
, for all $A \leftarrow \varphi \in \mathcal{P}^*$

• Example: $buy(x) \leftarrow DL[Camera](x)$ $buy(x) \leftarrow DL[DVDPlayer](x)$

a:Camera b:Camera ⊔ DVDPlayer

$$KB \models buy(a) \quad KB \not\models buy(b)$$



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Tightly Coupled DL-Programs [7]

- A dl-atom may appear anywhere in the rule (rule head and/or rule body)
- I ⊨ P is defined as usual.
- $I \models L$ iff $L \cup \{a \mid I(a) = 1\} \cup \{\neg a \mid I(a) = 0\}$ is satisfiable.
- $I \models KB \text{ iff } I \models L \text{ and } I \models P.$
- Many minimal models may exists.
- $KB \models_{cautious} a$ iff for all minimal models I of KB, $I \models a$
- $KB \models_{brave} a$ iff for some minimal models I of KB, $I \models a$
- Clearly, $\models_{cautious} \subseteq \models_{brave}$
- Example: $buy(x) \leftarrow DL[Camera](x)$ $buy(x) \leftarrow DL[DVDPlayer](x)$

a:Camera b:Camera ⊔ DVDPlayer

$$KB \models_{cautious} buy(a) \quad KB \models_{cautious} buy(b)$$

Note: [7] considers non-monotone negation and disjunctive LPs



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Probabilistic Logic

- Integration of (propositional) logic- and probability-based representation and reasoning formalisms.
- Reasoning from logical constraints and interval restrictions for conditional probabilities (also called conditional constraints).
- Reasoning from convex sets of probability distributions.
- Model-theoretic notion of logical entailment.



Syntax of Probabilistic Knowledge Bases

- Finite nonempty set of basic events $\Phi = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$.
- Event φ: Boolean combination of basic events
- Logical constraint $\psi \Leftarrow \phi$: events ψ and ϕ : " ϕ implies ψ ".
- Conditional constraint (ψ|φ)[I, u]: events ψ and φ, and I, u ∈ [0, 1]: "conditional probability of ψ given φ is in [I, u]".
- Probabilistic knowledge base KB = (L, P):
 - finite set of logical constraints L,
 - finite set of conditional constraints P.



Example

Probabilistic knowledge base KB = (L, P):

• L = {bird ← eagle}:

"All eagles are birds".

• $P = \{(have_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1]\}:$

"All birds have legs".

"Birds fly with a probability of at least 0.95".

Semantics of Probabilistic Knowledge Bases

- World /: truth assignment to all basic events in Φ.
- \mathcal{I}_{Φ} : all worlds for Φ .
- Probabilistic interpretation Pr: probability function on \mathcal{I}_{Φ} .
- $Pr(\phi)$: sum of all Pr(I) such that $I \in \mathcal{I}_{\Phi}$ and $I \models \phi$.
- $Pr(\psi|\phi)$: if $Pr(\phi) > 0$, then $Pr(\psi|\phi) = Pr(\psi \land \phi) / Pr(\phi)$.
- Truth under Pr:
 - $Pr \models \psi \Leftarrow \phi$ iff $Pr(\psi \land \phi) = Pr(\phi)$ (iff $Pr(\psi \Leftarrow \phi) = 1$).
 - $Pr \models (\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ iff $Pr(\psi \land \phi) \in [I, u] \cdot Pr(\phi)$ (iff either $Pr(\phi) = 0$ or $Pr(\psi|\phi) \in [I, u]$).



Example

- Set of basic propositions $\Phi = \{bird, fly\}.$
- \mathcal{I}_{Φ} contains exactly the worlds I_1 , I_2 , I_3 , and I_4 over Φ :

	fly	$\neg fly$
bird	<i>I</i> ₁	<i>I</i> ₂
¬bird	<i>I</i> ₃	<i>I</i> ₄

Some probabilistic interpretations:

Pr_1	fly	$\neg fly$
bird	19/40	1/40
¬bird	10/40	10/40

Pr ₂	fly	$\neg fly$
bird	0	1/3
¬bird	1/3	1/3

- $Pr_1(fly \land bird) = 19/40$ and $Pr_1(bird) = 20/40$.
- $Pr_2(fly \wedge bird) = 0$ and $Pr_2(bird) = 1/3$.
- $\neg fly \Leftarrow bird$ is false in Pr_1 , but true in Pr_2 .
- (fly | bird)[.95, 1] is true in Pr_1 , but false in Pr_2 .

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Satisfiability and Logical Entailment

- Pr is a model of KB = (L, P) iff $Pr \models F$ for all $F \in L \cup P$.
- KB is satisfiable iff a model of KB exists.
- $KB \models (\psi|\phi)[I, u]$: $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ is a logical consequence of KB iff every model of KB is also a model of $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$.
- $KB \models_{tight} (\psi|\phi)[I, u]$: $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ is a tight logical consequence of KB iff I (resp., u) is the infimum (resp., supremum) of $Pr(\psi|\phi)$ subject to all models Pr of KB with $Pr(\phi) > 0$.



Example

Probabilistic knowledge base:

$$KB = (\{bird \leftarrow eagle\}, \\ \{(have_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1]\}).$$

- KB is satisfiable, since
 Pr with Pr(bird ∧ eagle ∧ have legs ∧ fly) = 1 is a model.
- Some conclusions under logical entailment:

$$KB \models (have_legs \mid bird)[0.3, 1], KB \models (fly \mid bird)[0.6, 1].$$

Tight conclusions under logical entailment:

$$KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid bird)[1,1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid bird)[0.95,1], KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid eagle)[1,1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid eagle)[0,1].$$



Deciding Model Existence / Satisfiability

Theorem: The probabilistic knowledge base KB = (L, P)has a model Pr with $Pr(\alpha) > 0$ iff the following system of linear constraints over the variables y_r ($r \in R$), where $R = \{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\Phi} \mid I \models L\}$, is solvable:

$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \neg \psi \land \phi} -I y_r + \sum_{r \in R, r \models \psi \land \phi} (1 - I) y_r \ge 0 \quad (\forall (\psi | \phi)[I, u] \in P)$$

$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \neg \psi \land \phi} u y_r + \sum_{r \in R, r \models \psi \land \phi} (u - 1) y_r \ge 0 \quad (\forall (\psi | \phi)[I, u] \in P)$$

$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \alpha} y_r = 1$$

$$y_r \ge 0 \quad (\text{for all } r \in R)$$



Computing Tight Logical Consequences

Theorem: Suppose KB = (L, P) has a model Pr such that $Pr(\alpha) > 0$. Then, I (resp., u) such that $KB \models_{tight} (\beta | \alpha)[I, u]$ is given by the optimal value of the following linear program over the variables y_r $(r \in R)$, where $R = \{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\Phi} \mid I \models L\}$:

minimize (resp., maximize)
$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \phi \land \alpha} y_r$$
 subject to
$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \neg \psi \land \phi} -l \, y_r + \sum_{r \in R, r \models \psi \land \phi} (1-l) \, y_r \, \geq \, 0 \quad (\forall (\psi|\phi)[l,u] \in P)$$

$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \neg \psi \land \phi} u \, y_r + \sum_{r \in R, r \models \psi \land \phi} (u-1) \, y_r \, \geq \, 0 \quad (\forall (\psi|\phi)[l,u] \in P)$$

$$\sum_{r \in R, r \models \alpha} y_r \, = \, 1$$

$$y_r \, \geq \, 0 \quad (\text{for all } r \in R)$$

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Towards Stronger Notions of Entailment

Problem: Inferential weakness of logical entailment.

Solutions:

- Probability selection techniques: Perform inference from a representative distribution of the encoded convex set of distributions rather than the whole set, e.g.,
 - distribution of maximum entropy,
 - distribution in the center of mass.
- Probabilistic default reasoning: Perform constraining rather than conditioning and apply techniques from default reasoning to resolve local inconsistencies.
- Probabilistic independencies: Further constrain the convex set of distributions by probabilistic independencies.
 - $(\Rightarrow$ adds nonlinear equations to linear constraints)

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Entailment under Maximum Entropy

• Entropy of a probabilistic interpretation Pr, denoted H(Pr):

$$H(Pr) = -\sum_{I \in \mathcal{I}_{\Phi}} Pr(I) \cdot \log Pr(I)$$
.

- The ME model of a satisfiable probabilistic knowledge base KB is the unique probabilistic interpretation Pr that is a model of KB and that has the greatest entropy among all the models of KB.
- $KB \models^{me} (\psi | \phi)[I, u]$: $(\psi | \phi)[I, u]$ is a ME consequence of KB iff the ME model of KB is also a model of $(\psi | \phi)[I, u]$.
- $KB \models_{tight}^{me} (\psi|\phi)[I, u]$: $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ is a tight ME consequence of KB iff for the ME model Pr of KB, it holds either (a) $Pr(\phi) = 0$, I = 1, and u = 0, or (b) $Pr(\phi) > 0$ and $Pr(\psi|\phi) = I = u$.



Logical vs. Maximum Entropy Entailment

Probabilistic knowledge base:

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 \textit{KB} = (\{\textit{bird} \Leftarrow \textit{eagle}\}, \\ \{(\textit{have\_legs} \mid \textit{bird})[1, 1], (\textit{fly} \mid \textit{bird})[0.95, 1]\}).
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Tight conclusions under logical entailment:

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KB \models_{tight} (have\_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1], KB \models_{tight} (have\_legs \mid eagle)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid eagle)[0, 1].
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Tight conclusions under maximum entropy entailment:

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 \textit{KB} \Vdash^\textit{me}_\textit{tight} (\textit{have\_legs} \mid \textit{bird})[1,1], \; \textit{KB} \Vdash^\textit{me}_\textit{tight} (\textit{fly} \mid \textit{bird})[0.95,0.95], \\ \textit{KB} \Vdash^\textit{me}_\textit{tight} (\textit{have\_legs} \mid \textit{eagle})[1,1], \; \textit{KB} \Vdash^\textit{me}_\textit{tight} (\textit{fly} \mid \textit{eagle})[0.95,0.95].
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Lexicographic Entailment

- Pr verifies $(\psi|\phi)[I,u]$ iff $Pr(\phi)=1$ and $Pr \models (\psi|\phi)[I,u]$.
- P tolerates $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ under L iff $L \cup P$ has a model that verifies $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$.
- KB = (L, P) is consistent iff there exists an ordered partition (P_0, \dots, P_k) of P such that each P_i is the set of all $C \in P \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^{i-1} P_j$ tolerated under L by $P \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^{i-1} P_j$.
- This (unique) partition is called the *z*-partition of *KB*.



Let KB = (L, P) be consistent, and (P_0, \dots, P_k) be its *z*-partition.

- Pr is lex-preferable to Pr' iff some $i \in \{0, ..., k\}$ exists such that
 - $|\{C \in P_i \mid Pr \models C\}| > |\{C \in P_i \mid Pr' \models C\}|$ and
 - $|\{C \in P_j \mid Pr \models C\}| = |\{C \in P_j \mid Pr' \models C\}|$ for all $i < j \le k$.
- A model Pr of F is a lex-minimal model of F iff no model of F is lex-preferable to Pr.
- $KB \Vdash {}^{lex}(\psi|\phi)[I,u]$: $(\psi|\phi)[I,u]$ is a lex-consequence of KB iff every lex-minimal model Pr of L with $Pr(\phi)=1$ satisfies $(\psi|\phi)[I,u]$.
- $KB \Vdash_{tight}^{lex}(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$: $(\psi|\phi)[I, u]$ is a tight lex-consequence of KB iff I (resp., u) is the infimum (resp., supremum) of $Pr(\psi)$ subject to all lex-minimal models Pr of L with $Pr(\phi) = 1$.



Logical vs. Lexicographic Entailment

Probabilistic knowledge base:

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KB = (\{bird \Leftarrow eagle\}, \\ \{(have\_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1]\}).
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Tight conclusions under logical entailment:

$$KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1], KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid eagle)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid eagle)[0, 1].$$

Tight conclusions under probabilistic lexicographic entailment:

KB
$$\mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (have_legs \mid bird)[1,1], KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (fly \mid bird)[0.95,1],$$

KB $\mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (have_legs \mid eagle)[1,1], KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (fly \mid eagle)[0.95,1].$

Probabilistic knowledge base:

$$KB = (\{bird \Leftarrow penguin\}, \{(have_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], (fly \mid bird)[1, 1], (fly \mid penguin)[0, 0.05]\}).$$

Tight conclusions under logical entailment:

$$KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid bird)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid bird)[1, 1], KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid penguin)[1, 0], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid penguin)[1, 0].$$

Tight conclusions under probabilistic lexicographic entailment:

$$KB \Vdash_{tight}^{lex}(have_legs \mid bird)[1,1], KB \Vdash_{tight}^{lex}(fly \mid bird)[1,1], KB \Vdash_{tight}^{lex}(have_legs \mid penguin)[1,1], KB \vdash_{tight}^{lex}(fly \mid penguin)[0,0.05].$$

Probabilistic knowledge base:

$$KB = (\{bird \leftarrow penguin\}, \{(have_legs \mid bird)[0.99, 1], (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1], (fly \mid penguin)[0, 0.05]\}).$$

Tight conclusions under logical entailment:

$$KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid bird)[0.99, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid bird)[0.95, 1], KB \models_{tight} (have_legs \mid penguin)[0, 1], KB \models_{tight} (fly \mid penguin)[0, 0.05].$$

Tight conclusions under probabilistic lexicographic entailment:

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KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (have_legs | bird)[0.99, 1], KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (fly | bird)[0.95, 1],
KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (have_legs | penguin)[0.99, 1], KB \mid \sim_{tight}^{lex} (fly | penguin)[0, 0.05].
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Bayesian Networks

Well-structured, exact conditional constraints plus conditional independencies specify exactly one joint probability distribution.

Joint probability distributions can answer any queries, but can be very large and are often hard to specify.

Bayesian network (BN): compact specification of a joint distribution, based on a graphical notation for conditional independencies:

- a set of nodes; each node represents a random variable
- a directed, acyclic graph (link ≈ "directly influences")
- a conditional distribution for each node given its parents: $P(X_i|Parents(X_i))$

Any joint distribution can be represented as a BN.



Example

I'm at work, neighbor John calls to say my alarm is ringing, but neighbor Mary doesn't call. Sometimes it's set off by minor earthquakes. Is there a burglar?

Variables: Burglary, Earthquake, Alarm, JohnCalls, MaryCalls

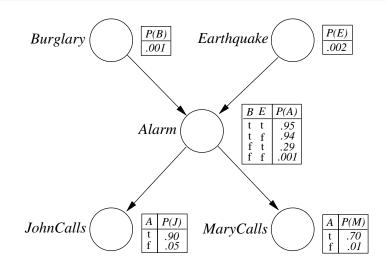
Network topology reflects "causal" knowledge:

- a burglar can set the alarm off
- an earthquake can set the alarm off
- the alarm can cause Mary to call
- the alarm can cause John to call

John sometimes confuses the telephone ringing with the alarm. Mary likes rather loud music and sometimes misses the alarm.



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Global Semantics

"Global" semantics defines the full joint distribution as the product of the local conditional distributions:

$$\mathbf{P}(X_1,\ldots,X_n) = \prod\nolimits_{i=1}^n \mathbf{P}(X_i|Parents(X_i))$$

e.g.,

$$P(j \land m \land a \land \neg b \land \neg e) = P(j|a)P(m|a)P(a|\neg b, \neg e)P(\neg b)P(\neg e)$$

= 0.90 \times 0.70 \times 0.001 \times 0.999 \times 0.998
= 0.00062

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Inference Tasks

- Simple queries: compute posterior marginal $P(X_i|E=e)$, e.g., P(Burglary|Alarm=true, John=true, Mary=false).
- Conjunctive queries: $P(X_i, X_i | E = e) = P(X_i | E = e)P(X_i | X_i, E = e).$
- Optimal decisions: decision networks include utility information; probabilistic inference required for P(outcome|action, evidence).
- Value of information: which evidence to seek next?
- Sensitivity analysis: which probability values are most critical?



Probabilistic Causal Models

Causal influences between the random variables expressed by functions rather than conditional probabilities.

Probability distribution over the set of all *contexts* (= all variable instantiations of the exogenous variables).

Sophisticated notions of causes and explanations.

Causal model M = (U, V, F):

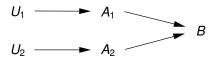
- U is a finite set of exogenous variables,
- V is a finite set of endogenous variables with $U \cap V = \emptyset$,
- $F = \{F_X \mid X \in V\}$ is a set of functions, where each F_X assigns a value to X for each value of its parents $PA_X \subseteq U \cup V \setminus \{X\}$.

M is recursive: total ordering \prec on *V* such that $Y \in PA_X$ implies $Y \prec X$.

A probabilistic causal model (M, P) consists of a causal model M = (U, V, F) and a probability function P on the values of U.

Example

Two arsonists lit matches $(A_i = 1)$, $i \in \{1, 2\}$, in different parts of a dry forest, and both cause trees to start burning. Either match by itself suffices to burn down the whole forest (B = 1):



Probabilistic causal model ((U, V, F), P):

- U: binary background variables U_1 and U_2 .
- V: binary observable variables A₁, A₂, and B.
- F: functions to express causal dependencies between variables: $F_{A_1} = U_1$, $F_{A_2} = U_2$, and $F_B = 1$ iff $A_1 = 1$ or $A_2 = 1$.
- *P*: probability distribution over the values of *U*: $P: (0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1) \mapsto 0.3, 0.3, 0.2, 0.2$.



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 - http://www.auai.org/
 - http://www.ai.mit.edu/~murphyk/Bayes/bayes.html
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 Cambridge University Press, 2000.



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Probabilities about Generic and Concrete Objects

Combining generic and concrete probability distributions:

- Conditioning: Generic distributions are conditioned on the (classical) information about concrete distributions.
- Probabilistic default reasoning: Generic distributions are constrained by the (not necessarily classical) information about the concrete distributions, and techniques from default reasoning resolve local inconsistencies.
- Minimum cross entropy: Generic and concrete distributions are combined via cross entropy minimization.



Probabilistic Ontologies

Main types of encoded probabilistic knowledge:

- Terminological probabilistic knowledge about concepts and roles: "Birds fly with a probability of at least 0.95".
- Assertional probabilistic knowledge about instances of concepts and roles: "Tweety is a bird with a probability of at least 0.9".

Main types of reasoning problems:

- Satisfiability of the terminological probabilistic knowledge.
- Tight conclusions about generic objects (from the terminological probabilistic knowledge).
- Satisfiability of the assertional probabilistic knowledge.
- Tight conclusions about concrete objects (from both the terminological and the assertional probabilistic knowledge).



Use of Probabilistic Ontologies

- Representation of terminological and assertional probabilistic knowledge (e.g., in the medical domain or at the stock exchange market).
- Information retrieval, for an increased recall (e.g., Udrea et al.: Probabilistic ontologies and relational databases. In Proc. CoopIS/DOA/ODBASE-2005).
- Ontology matching (e.g., Mitra et al.: OMEN: A probabilistic ontology mapping tool. In *Proc. ISWC-2005*).
- Probabilistic data integration, especially for handling ambiguous and controversial pieces of information.



Probabilistic RDF

O. Udrea, V. S. Subrahmanian, and Z. Majkic. Probabilistic RDF. In *Proceedings IRI-2006*.

- probabilistic generalization of RDF
- terminological probabilistic knowledge about classes
- assertional probabilistic knowledge about properties of individuals
- assertional probabilistic inference for acyclic probabilistic RDF theories, which is based on logical entailment in probabilistic logic, coupled with a local probabilistic semantics

Probabilistic DLs

R. Giugno, T. Lukasiewicz. P- $\mathcal{SHOQ}(\mathbf{D})$: A probabilistic extension of $\mathcal{SHOQ}(\mathbf{D})$ for probabilistic ontologies in the SW. In *Proc. JELIA-2002*.

- probabilistic generalization of the description logic $\mathcal{SHOQ}(\mathbf{D})$ (recently also extended to $\mathcal{SHIF}(\mathbf{D})$ and $\mathcal{SHOIN}(\mathbf{D})$)
- terminological probabilistic knowledge about concepts and roles
- assertional probabilistic knowledge about instances of concepts and roles
- terminological probabilistic inference based on lexicographic entailment in probabilistic logic (stronger than logical entailment)
- assertional probabilistic inference based on lexicographic entailment in probabilistic logic (for combining assertional and terminological probabilistic knowledge)
- terminological and assertional probabilistic inference problems reduced to sequences of linear optimization problems



M. Jaeger. Probabilistic reasoning in terminological logics. In *Proceedings KR-1994*.

- probabilistic generalization of the description logic ALC
- terminological probabilistic knowledge about concepts and roles
- assertional probabilistic knowledge about concept instances, but no assertional probabilistic knowledge about role instances
- terminological probabilistic inference based on logical entailment in probabilistic logic (by solving linear optimization problems)
- assertional probabilistic inference based on cross entropy minimization relative to terminological probabilistic knowledge (by an approximation algorithm; no exact algorithm known so far)

D. Koller, A. Levy, and A. Pfeffer. P-CLASSIC: A tractable probabilistic description logic. In *Proceedings AAAI-1997*.

- probabilistic generalization (of a variant) of the description logic CLASSIC
- so-called p-classes express terminological probabilistic knowledge about concepts, roles, and attributes
- but assertional classical and probabilistic knowledge about instances of concepts and roles is not supported
- probabilistic semantics based on Bayesian networks
- determines exact probabilities for conditionals between concept expressions in canonical form
- probabilistic inference can be done in polynomial time, when the underlying Bayesian network is a polytree



Possibilistic DLs

Generalization of DLs by possibilistic uncertainty, which is based on possibilistic interpretations rather than probabilistic interpretations.

Possibilistic interpretation: mapping $\pi: \mathcal{I}_{\Phi} \to [0, 1]$. " $\pi(I)$ is the degree to which the world I is possible."

$$Poss(\phi)$$
: possibility of ϕ in π : $Poss(\phi) = \max \{\pi(I) \mid I \in \mathcal{I}_{\Phi}, I \models \phi\}$

- B. Hollunder. An alternative proof method for possibilistic logic and its application to terminological logics. *Int. J. Approx. Reasoning*, 12(2):85–109, 1995.
- D. Dubois, J. Mengin, and H. Prade. Possibilistic uncertainty and fuzzy features in description logic: A preliminary discussion. In E. Sanchez, editor, Capturing Intelligence: Fuzzy Logic and the Semantic Web, 2006.
- C.-J. Liau and Y. Y. Yao. Information retrieval by possibilistic reasoning. In *Proc. DEXA-2001*.



Probabilistic OWL

- P. C. G. da Costa. *Bayesian Semantics for the Semantic Web*. PhD thesis, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA, 2005.
- P. C. G. da Costa and K. B. Laskey. PR-OWL: A framework for probabilistic ontologies. In *Proceedings FOIS-2006*.
 - probabilistic extension of OWL
 - probabilistic semantics based on multi-entity Bayesian networks (MEBNs), which are a Bayesian logic that combines first-order logic with Bayesian probabilities:
 - represents knowledge as parameterized fragments of Bayesian networks
 - expresses repeated structure
 - represents probability distribution on interpretations of associated first-order theory



Other Works

- Z. Ding and Y. Peng. A probabilistic extension to ontology language OWL. In *Proceedings HICSS-2004*.
- Y. Yang and J. Calmet. OntoBayes: An ontology-driven uncertainty model. In *Proceedings IAWTIC-2005*.
- Z. Ding, Y. Peng, and R. Pan. BayesOWL: Uncertainty modeling in Semantic Web ontologies. In Z. Ma, editor, Soft Computing in Ontologies and Semantic Web. Springer, 2006.
- H. Nottelmann and N. Fuhr. Adding probabilities and rules to OWL Lite subsets based on probabilistic Datalog. IJUFKS, 14(1):17–42, 2006.

Probabilistic Logic Programs

Probabilistic generalizations of logic programs / rule-based systems / deductive databases / Datalog:

- (1) Probabilistic generalizations of (annotated) logic programs based on probabilistic logic (no uncertainty degrees associated with rules):
 - R. T. Ng and V. S. Subrahmanian. Probabilistic logic programming. *Inf. Comput.*, 101(2):150–201, 1992.
 - R. T. Ng and V. S. Subrahmanian. A semantical framework for supporting subjective and conditional probabilities in deductive databases. *J. Autom. Reasoning*, 10(2):191–235, 1993.
 - A. Dekhtyar and V. S. Subrahmanian. Hybrid probabilistic programs. J. Log. Program. 43(3):187–250, 2000.



- (2) Probabilistic generalizations of logic programs based on Bayesian networks / causal models:
 - D. Poole. Probabilistic Horn abduction and Bayesian networks.
 Artif. Intell., 64:81–129, 1993.
 - D. Poole. The independent choice logic for modeling multiple agents under uncertainty. Artif. Intell., 94:7–56, 1997.
 - K. Kersting and L. De Raedt. Bayesian logic programs. CoRR, cs.Al/0111058, 2001.
 - C. Baral, M. Gelfond, and J. N. Rushton. Probabilistic reasoning with answer sets. In *Proceedings LPNMR-2004*.

(3) Relational Bayesian networks:

- M. Jaeger. Relational Bayesian networks. In Proc. UAI-1997.
- D. Koller and A. Pfeffer. Object-oriented Bayesian networks. In Proceedings UAI-1997.
- H. Pasula and S. J. Russell. Approximate inference for first-order probabilistic languages. In *Proceedings IJCAI-2001*.
- D. Poole. First-order probabilistic inference. In Proc. IJCAI-2003.

- (4) First-order generalization of probabilistic knowledge bases in probabilistic logic (based on logical entailment, lexicographic entailment, and maximum entropy entailment):
 - T. Lukasiewicz. Probabilistic logic programming. In Proceedings ECAI-1998.
 - T. Lukasiewicz. Probabilistic logic programming with conditional constraints. ACM TOCL 2(3):289–339, 2001.
 - T. Lukasiewicz. Probabilistic logic programming under inheritance with overriding. In *Proceedings UAI-2001*.
 - G. Kern-Isberner and T. Lukasiewicz. Combining probabilistic logic programming with the power of maximum entropy. *Artif. Intell.*, 157(1–2):139–202, 2004.

Poole's Independent Choice Logic (ICL)

Acyclic logic programs *P* under different "choices".

Each choice along with P produces a first-order model.

By placing a probability distribution over the different choices, one then obtains a distribution over the set of first-order models.

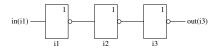
ICL generalizes Pearl's structural causal models.

ICL also generalizes Bayesian networks, influence diagrams, Markov decision processes, and normal form games.



Example

Sequence of three not-gates:



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val(out(G), on, T) \leftarrow ok(G) \land val(in(G), off, T).

val(out(G), off, T) \leftarrow ok(G) \land val(in(G), on, T).

val(out(G), V, T) \leftarrow shorted(G) \land val(in(G), V, T).

val(out(G), off, T) \leftarrow blown(G).

val(in(G), V, T) \leftarrow conn(G_1, G) \land val(out(G_1), V, T).

conn(i_1, i_2) \leftarrow .

conn(i_2, i_3) \leftarrow .

disjoint([ok(G):0.95, shorted(G):0.03, blown(G):0.02]).

disjoint([val(in(i_1), on, T):0.5, val(in(i_1), off, T):0.5]).
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Possible queries: Which is the probability that gate i_2 is ok given that both the input of i_1 and the output of i_3 are off at the time point t_1 ?

$$P(ok(i_2)|val(in(i_1), off, t_1) \land val(out(i_3), off, t_1)) = 0.76$$
.

Which is the probability that the output of i_3 is *off* given that the input of i_1 is *on* at the time point t_1 ?

$$P(val(out(i_3), off, t_1)|val(in(i_1), on, t_1)) = 0.899.$$

Intuitively: Every closed formula is associated with a set of minimal explanations. Every explanation is a set of hypotheses. The probability of an explanation is the product of the probabilities of the hypotheses. The probability of a closed formula is the sum of the probabilities of all associated minimal explanations.

The formula $F = val(in(i_1), off, t_1) \land val(out(i_3), off, t_1)$ is associated with the following minimal explanations along with their probabilities:

$$\begin{array}{lll} E_1 & = & \{\mathit{val}(\mathit{in}(i_1),\mathit{off},t_1),\mathit{ok}(i_3),\mathit{ok}(i_2),\mathit{shorted}(i_1)\} \\ P(E_1) & = & 0.5 \times 0.95 \times 0.95 \times 0.03 = 0.01354 \\ E_2 & = & \{\mathit{val}(\mathit{in}(i_1),\mathit{off},t_1),\mathit{ok}(i_3),\mathit{shorted}(i_2),\mathit{ok}(i_1)\} \\ P(E_2) & = & 0.5 \times 0.95 \times 0.03 \times 0.95 = 0.01354 \\ & \vdots \end{array}$$

The sum of the probabilities of all minimal explanations associated with F is 0.05996. Hence, the formula F has the probability 0.05996.

Probabilistic Description Logic Programs

T. Lukasiewicz. Probabilistic description logic programs. *IJAR*, 2007.

- Probabilistic dl-programs generalize (loosely coupled)
 dl-programs by probabilistic uncertainty as in Poole's ICL.
- They properly generalize Poole's ICL.
- They consist of a dl-program along with a probability distribution μ over total choices B.
- They specify a set of distributions over first-order models: Every total choice B along with the dl-program specifies a set of first-order models of which the probabilities should sum up to $\mu(B)$.
- There are also tightly coupled probabilistic dl-programs.
- Important applications are data integration and ontology mapping under probabilistic uncertainty and inconsistency.



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Example

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Description logic knowledge base L
of a probabilistic dl-program KB = (L, P, C, \mu):
PC \sqcup Camera \sqsubseteq Electronics: PC \sqcap Camera \sqsubseteq \bot:
Book \sqcup Electronics \sqsubseteq Product; Book \sqcap Electronics \sqsubseteq \bot;
Textbook \sqsubseteq Book:
Product \subseteq > 1 \ related:
> 1 related \sqcup > 1 related \sqsubseteq Product;
Textbook(tb ai); Textbook(tb lp);
PC(pc\_ibm); PC(pc\_hp);
related(tb ai, tb lp); related(pc ibm, pc hp);
provides(ibm, pc_ibm); provides(hp, pc_hp).
```

Classical dl-rules in P

of a probabilistic dl-program $KB = (L, P, C, \mu)$:

- pc(pc_1); pc(pc_2); pc(pc_3);
- brand_new(pc_1); brand_new(pc_2);
- vendor(dell, pc 1); vendor(dell, pc 2); vendor(dell, pc 3);
- $provider(P) \leftarrow vendor(P, X), DL[PC \uplus pc; Product](X);$
- $provider(P) \leftarrow DL[provides](P, X), DL[PC \uplus pc; Product](X);$
- $similar(X, Y) \leftarrow DL[related](X, Y);$
- $similar(X, Z) \leftarrow similar(X, Y), similar(Y, Z).$

Probabilistic dl-rules in P along with the probability μ on the choice space C of a probabilistic dl-program $KB = (L, P, C, \mu)$:

- $avoid(X) \leftarrow DL[Camera](X)$, not offer(X), avoid pos;
- offer(X) \leftarrow DL[$PC \uplus pc$; Electronics](X), not brand_new(X), offer_pos;
- $buy(C, X) \leftarrow needs(C, X)$, view(X), not avoid(X), v_buy_pos ;
- $buy(C, X) \leftarrow needs(C, X), buy(C, Y), also_buy(Y, X), a_buy_pos.$

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\mu: avoid_pos, avoid_neg \mapsto 0.9,0.1; offer_pos, offer_neg \mapsto 0.9,0.1; v_buy_pos, v_buy_neg \mapsto 0.7,0.3; a_buy_pos, a_buy_neg \mapsto 0.7,0.3.
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\{avoid\_pos, offer\_pos, v\_buy\_pos, a\_buy\_pos\} : 0.9 \times 0.9 \times 0.7 \times 0.7, \dots
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Probabilistic query: \exists (buy(c, x) | needs(c, x) \land buy(c, y) \land also\_buy(y, x) \land view(x) \land \neg avoid(x))[L, U]
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Example: Probabilistic Data Integration

Obtain a weather forecast by integrating the potentially different weather forecasts of three weather forecast institutes A, B, and C.

Our trust in the institutes A, B, and C is expressed by the trust probabilities 0.6, 0.3, and 0.1, respectively.

Probabilistic integration of the source schemas of A, B, and C to the global schema G is specified by the following $KB_M = (\emptyset, P_M, C_M, \mu_M)$:

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P_{M} = \{forecast\_rome(D, W, T, M) \leftarrow forecast(rome, D, W, T, M), inst_{A}; \\ forecast\_rome(D, W, T, M) \leftarrow forecastRome(D, W, T, M), inst_{B}; \\ forecast\_rome(D, W, T, M) \leftarrow forecast\_weather(rome, D, W), \\ forecast\_temperature(rome, D, T), \\ forecast\_wind(rome, D, M), inst_{C}\}; \\ C_{M} = \{\{inst_{A}, inst_{B}, inst_{C}\}\}; \\ \mu_{M} : inst_{A}, inst_{B}, inst_{C} \mapsto 0.6, 0.3, 0.1. \\ \end{cases}
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Example (Tightly Coupled): Ontology Mapping

The global schema contains the concept *logic_programming*, while the source schemas contain only the concepts *rule-based_systems* resp. *deductive_databases* in their ontologies.

A randomly chosen book from the area *rule-based_systems* (resp., *deductive_databases*) may belong to *logic_programming* with the probability 0.7 (resp., 0.8).

Probabilistic mapping from the two source schemas to the global schema expressed by the following $KB_M = (\emptyset, P_M, C_M, \mu_M)$:

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P_M = \{logic\_programming(X) \leftarrow rule-based\_systems(X), choice_1; \\ logic\_programming(X) \leftarrow deductive\_databases(X), choice_2\}; \\ C_M = \{\{choice_1, not\_choice_1\}, \{choice_2, not\_choice_2\}\}; \\ \mu_M : choice_1, not\_choice_1, choice_2, not\_choice_2 \mapsto 0.7, 0.3, 0.8, 0.2.
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Vagueness

- Vagueness: statements involve concepts for which there is no exact definition, such as tall, close, cheap, IsAbout, simialarTo . . .
- Statements are true to some degree which is taken from a truth space
 - E.g., "Hotel Verdi is close to the train station to degree 0.83"
 - "Find top-k cheapest hotels close to the train station"

$$q(h) \leftarrow hasLocation(h, hl) \land hasLocation(train, cl) \land close(hl, cl) \land cheap(h)$$

- Truth space: usually [0, 1]
- Interpretation: a function I mapping atoms into [0, 1], i.e. $I(A) \in [0, 1]$
- Problem: what is the interpretation of e.g. close(verdi, train) ∧ cheap(200)?
 - E.g., if I(close(verdi, train)) = 0.83 and I(cheap(200)) = 0.2, what is the result of 0.83 ∧ 0.2?
 - E.g., In multimedia retrieval: if a image region is white to degree 0.8 and the object is about a dog to degree 0.4, to which degree is the image about a "white dog"? That is, what is 0.8 ∧ 0.4?
- More generally, what is the result of $n \wedge m$, for $n, m \in [0, 1]$?
- The choice cannot be any arbitrary computable function, but has to reflect some basic properties that one expects to hold for a "conjunction"

Propositional Fuzzy Logics Basics [5]

- Formulae: propositional formulae
- Truth space is [0, 1]
- Formulae have a a degree of truth in [0, 1]
- Interpretation: is a mapping $\mathcal{I}: Atoms \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- Interpretations are extended to formulae using norms to interpret connectives
 ∧, ∨, ¬, →

$$\frac{\text{negation}}{n(0) = 1}$$

$$a \leq b \text{ implies } n(b) \leq n(a)$$

$$\frac{t(a, 1) = a}{b \leq c \text{ implies } t(a, b) \leq t(a, c)}$$

$$\frac{t(a, b) = t(b, a)}{t(a, b) = t(b, a)}$$

$$\frac{s - \text{norm (disjunction)}}{s(a, 0) = a}$$

$$b \leq c \text{ implies } s(a, b) \leq s(a, c)$$

$$s(a, b) = s(b, a)$$

$$s(a, s(b, c)) = s(s(a, b), c)$$

$$\frac{s - \text{norm (implication)}}{s(a, b) \leq i(a, c) \geq i(b, c)}$$

$$\frac{a \leq b \text{ implies } i(a, c) \geq i(b, c)}{b \leq c \text{ implies } i(a, b) \leq i(a, c)}$$

$$\frac{i(0, b) = 1}{i(a, 1) = a}$$

$$\frac{s + c \text{ implies } i(a, c) \geq i(b, c)}{s(a, c) = i(a, c)}$$

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$$\frac{s + c \text{ implies } i(a, c) \geq i(a, c)}{s(a, c) = i(a, c)}$$

 $i(a,b) = \sup\{c: t(a,c) \le b\}$ is called r-implication and depends on the t-norm only

Typical norms

	Lukasiewicz Logic	Gödel Logic	Product Logic	Zadeh
$\neg x$	1 – <i>x</i>	if $x = 0$ then 1 else 0	if $x = 0$ then 1 else 0	1 - x
$x \wedge y$	$\max(x + y - 1, 0)$	min(x, y)	<i>x</i> · <i>y</i>	min(x, y)
$x \vee y$	min(x+y,1)	$\max(x, y)$	$x + y - x \cdot y$	$\max(x, y)$
$x \Rightarrow y$	if $x \le y$ then 1 else 1 $-x + y$	if $x \le y$ then 1 else y	if $x \le y$ then 1 else y/x	$\max(1-x,y)$

Note: for Lukasiewicz Logic and Zadeh, $x \Rightarrow y \equiv \neg x \lor y$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{I}(\phi \vee \psi) &= & \mathcal{I}(\phi) \vee \mathcal{I}(\psi) \\ \\ \mathcal{I}(\phi \to \psi) &= & \mathcal{I}(\phi) \to \mathcal{I}(\psi) \\ \\ \mathcal{I} \models \phi & \text{iff} & \mathcal{I}(\phi) = 1 & \text{iff } \phi \text{ satisfiable} \\ \\ \mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{T} & \text{iff} & \mathcal{I} \models \phi \text{ for all } \phi \in \mathcal{T} \\ \\ \models \phi & \text{iff} & \text{for all } \mathcal{I} . \text{if } \mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{T} \text{ then } \mathcal{I} \models \phi \end{split}$$

 $\mathcal{I}(\phi \wedge \psi) = \mathcal{I}(\phi) \wedge \mathcal{I}(\psi)$

Note:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \neg \phi & \text{is} & \phi \rightarrow 0 \\ \phi \bar{\wedge} \psi & \text{defined as} & \phi \wedge (\phi \rightarrow \psi) \\ \phi \bar{\vee} \psi & \text{defined as} & ((\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \psi) \bar{\wedge} ((\psi \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \phi) \\ \mathcal{I}(\phi \bar{\wedge} \psi) & = & \min(\mathcal{I}(\phi), \mathcal{I}(\psi)) \\ \mathcal{I}(\phi \bar{\vee} \psi) & = & \max(\mathcal{I}(\phi), \mathcal{I}(\psi)) \end{array}$$

 Zadeh semantics: not interesting for fuzzy logicians: its a sub-logic of Łukasiewicz and, thus, rarely considered by fuzzy logicians

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\neg_{Z}\phi & = & \neg_{\underline{\mathsf{L}}}\phi \\
\phi \wedge_{Z}\psi & = & \phi \wedge_{\underline{\mathsf{L}}}(\phi \to_{\underline{\mathsf{L}}}\psi) \\
\phi \to_{Z}\psi & = & \neg_{\underline{\mathsf{L}}}\phi \vee_{\underline{\mathsf{L}}}\psi
\end{array}$$

Some additional properties of t-norms, s-norms, implication functions, and negation functions of various fuzzy logics.

Łukasiewicz logic	Gödel logic	Product logic	Zadeh logic
$x \wedge \neg x = 0$	$\exists x. \ x \land \neg x \neq 0$	$\exists x. \ x \land \neg x \neq 0$	$\exists x. \ x \land \neg x \neq 0$
$x \vee \neg x = 1$	$\exists x. \ x \lor \neg x \neq 1$	$\exists x. \ x \lor \neg x \neq 1$	$\exists x. \ x \lor \neg x \neq 1$
$\exists x. \ x \land x \neq x$	$x \wedge x = x$	$\exists x. \ x \land x \neq x$	$x \wedge x = x$
$\exists x. \ x \lor x \neq x$	$x \lor x = x$	$\exists x. \ x \lor x \neq x$	$x \lor x = x$
$\neg \neg x = x$	$\exists x. \ \neg \neg x \neq x$	$\exists x. \ \neg \neg x \neq x$	$\neg \neg x = x$
$x \rightarrow y = \neg x \lor y$	$\exists x. \ x \to y \neq \neg x \lor y$	$\exists x. \ x \to y \neq \neg x \lor y$	$x \rightarrow y = \neg x \lor y$
$\neg(x \to y) = x \land \neg y$	$\exists x. \ \neg(x \rightarrow y) \neq x \land \neg y$	$\exists x. \ \neg(x \rightarrow y) \neq x \land \neg y$	$\neg(x \rightarrow y) = x \land \neg y$
$\neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$	$\neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$	$\neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$	$\neg(x \land y) = \neg x \lor \neg y$
$\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y$	$\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y$	$\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y$	$\neg(x \lor y) = \neg x \land \neg y$

Vagueness basics Vagueness and RDF/DLs Vagueness and LPs/DLPs

Axioms of logic BL (Basic Fuzzy Logic)

Fix arbitray t-norm and r-implication.

(A1)
$$(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow ((\psi \rightarrow \chi) \rightarrow \phi \rightarrow \chi)$$

(A2) $(\phi \land \psi) \rightarrow \phi$
(A3) $(\phi \land \psi) \rightarrow (\psi \land \phi)$
(A4) $(\phi \land (\phi \rightarrow \psi)) \rightarrow (\psi \land (\psi \rightarrow \phi))$
(A5a) $(\phi \land (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow ((\phi \land \psi) \rightarrow \chi))$
(A5b) $((\phi \land \psi) \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (\phi \land (\psi \rightarrow \chi))$
(A6) $(\phi \land (\psi \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow (((\psi \rightarrow \phi) \rightarrow \chi)) \rightarrow \chi)$
(A7) $0 \rightarrow \phi$

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{BL} \phi$ iff $\mathcal{T} \models_{BL} \phi$. Also, if $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{BL} \phi$ then $\mathcal{T} \models_{BL2} \phi$, but not vice-versa (e.g. $\models_{BL2} \phi \lor \neg \phi$, but $\not\models_{BL} \phi \lor \neg \phi$).

- $\bullet \models_{\mathsf{RI}} \phi \land \neg \phi \to 0$
- $\bullet \models_{BL} \phi \to \neg \neg \phi$, but $\not\models_{BL} \neg \neg \phi \to \phi$, e.g. $\phi = p \lor \neg p$, t-norm is Gödel
- lacktriangledisplayskip $\models_{BL} (\phi \to \psi) \to (\neg \psi \to \neg \phi)$, but not vice-versa

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Axioms of Łukasiewicz logic Ł

Fix Łukasiewicz t-norm and r-implication.

(Axioms) Axioms of BL

(Ł)
$$\neg \neg \phi \rightarrow \phi$$

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{\mathbf{k}} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{\mathbf{k}} \phi.$

- $\bullet \models_{\not k} \phi \to \psi \equiv \neg \psi \to \neg \phi$
- $\models_{\mathbf{k}} \neg(\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv \neg\phi \vee \neg\psi$
- $\bullet \models_{\not k} \phi \to \psi \equiv \neg(\phi \land \neg \psi)$
- $\bullet \models_{\not \models} \phi \to \psi \equiv \neg \phi \lor \neg \psi$
- $\models_{\mathbf{k}} \neg(\phi \to \psi) \equiv \phi \land \neg \psi$
- Recall that "Zadeh logic" is a sub-logic of Ł

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Axioms of Product logic Π

Fix product t-norm and r-implication.

(Axioms) Axioms of BL

$$(\Pi 1) \neg \neg \chi \rightarrow ((\phi \land \chi \rightarrow \psi \land \chi) \rightarrow (\phi \rightarrow \psi))$$

(
$$\Pi$$
2) $(\phi \bar{\wedge} \neg \phi) \rightarrow 0$

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{\Pi} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{\Pi} \phi.$

$$\bullet \models_{\Pi} \neg (\phi \land \psi) \rightarrow \neg (\phi \bar{\land} \psi)$$

•
$$\models_{\Pi} (\phi \rightarrow \neg \phi) \rightarrow \neg \phi$$

$$\bullet \models_{\Pi} \neg \phi \nabla \neg \neg \phi$$

Axioms of Gödel logic G

Fix Gödel t-norm and r-implication.

(Axioms) Axioms of BL

(G)
$$\phi \rightarrow (\phi \land \phi)$$

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \to \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{\mathsf{G}} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{\mathsf{G}} \phi.$

- $\bullet \models_{\mathsf{G}} (\phi \wedge \psi) \equiv (\phi \bar{\wedge} \psi)$
- Gödel logic proves all axioms of intuitionistic logic I, vice-versa I + (A6) proves all axioms of Gödel logic



Axioms of Boolean logic

Fix interpretations to be boolean.

(Axioms) Axioms of BL

(BL2) $\phi \nabla \neg \phi$

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \rightarrow \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{\mathsf{Bl2}} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{\mathsf{Bl2}} \phi.$

- $\models_{BL2} \phi \rightarrow (\phi \land \phi)$ (BL2 extends G)
- Ł + G is equivalent to BL2
- Ł + Π is equivalent to BL2
- G + Π is equivalent to BL2

Axioms of Rational Pavelka Logic (RPL)

- Fix Łukasiewicz t-norm and r-implication
- Rational $r \in [0, 1]$ may appear as atom in formula. $\mathcal{I}(r) = r$
- Note: $\mathcal{I}(r \to \phi) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{I}(\phi) > r$. Also, $\mathcal{I}(\phi \to r) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{I}(\phi) < r$ (Axioms) Axioms of Ł

(Deduction rule) Modus ponens: from ϕ and $\phi \to \psi$ infer ψ

Proposition

 $T \vdash_{RPL} \phi \text{ iff } T \models_{RPL} \phi.$

lacktriangle RPL proves the derived deduction rule $(r, s \in [0, 1])$: from $r \to \phi$ and $s \to (\phi \to \psi)$ infer $(r \land s) \to \psi$

From
$$\phi > r$$
 and $(\phi \to \psi) > s$ infer $\psi > r \land s$

Let

$$\begin{array}{lll} ||\phi||_{\mathcal{T}} &=& \inf\{\mathcal{I}(\phi)\mid \mathcal{I}\models \mathcal{T}\} \text{ (truth degree)} \\ |\phi|_{\mathcal{T}} &=& \sup\{r\mid \mathcal{T}\vdash r\to \phi\} \text{ (provability degree)} \end{array}$$

then $||\phi||_{\mathcal{T}} = |\phi|_{\mathcal{T}}$

Also.

$$\begin{array}{lll} |\neg\phi|_{\mathcal{T}} & = & 1 - |\phi|_{\mathcal{T}}| \\ |\phi|_{\mathcal{T}}| = \sup\{r \mid \mathcal{T} \vdash r \rightarrow \phi\} & = & \inf\{s \mid \mathcal{T} \vdash \phi \rightarrow s\} \\ & = & \inf\{s \mid \mathcal{T} \vdash \phi \rightarrow s\} \end{array}$$

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Tableau for Rational Pavelka Logic using MILP

Proposition

 $|\phi|_{\mathcal{T}} = \min x$. such that $\mathcal{T} \cup \{\phi \rightarrow x\}$ satisfiable.

- We use MILP (Mixed Integer Linear Programming) to compute $|\phi|_{\mathcal{T}}$
- Let $r \in [0, 1]$, variable or expression 1 r'(r') variable), admitting solution in [0, 1], $\neg r = 1 r$, $\neg \neg r = r$

Now we have to solve a MILP problem of the form

$$\min \mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{x} \text{ s.t. } A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{h}$$

where a_{ii} , b_{ii} , c_l , $h_k \in [0, 1]$, x_i admits solutions in [0, 1], while y_i admits solutions in $\{0, 1\}$



Example

- Onsider $\mathcal{T} = \{0.6 \rightarrow p, 0.7 \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q)\}$
- Let us show that $|q|_T = 0.6 \land 0.7 = \max(1, 0.6 + 0.7 1) = 0.3$

$$\mathcal{T} \cup \{q \rightarrow x\} = \{0.6 \rightarrow p, 0.7 \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q), q \rightarrow x, x \in [0, 1]\}$$

$$\mapsto$$
 $\{x_p > 0.6, x_q < x, 0.7 \to (p \to q), \{x, x_p\} \subset [0, 1]\}$

$$\mapsto$$
 { $x_p \ge 0.6, x_q \le x, p \to x_1, x_2 \to q, 0.7 + x_1 - x_2 = 1, \{x, x_p, x_i\} \subseteq [0, 1]\}$

$$\mapsto \{x_p \ge 0.6, x_q \le x, x_p \le x_1, x_q \ge x_2, 0.7 + x_1 - x_2 = 1, \{x, x_p, x_i\} \subseteq [0, 1]\} = S$$

It follows that $0.3 = \min x$. such that Sat(S)

 Note: A similar technique can be used for logic G and Π, but mixed integer non-linear programming is needed in place of MILP

Predicate Fuzzy Logics Basics [5]

- Formulae: First-Order Logic formulae, terms are either variables or constants
 - we may introduce functions symbols as well, with crisp semantics (but uninteresting), or we need to discuss also fuzzy equality (which we leave out here)
- Truth space is [0, 1]
- Formulae have a a degree of truth in [0, 1]
- Interpretation: is a mapping $\mathcal{I}: Atoms \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- Interpretations are extended to formulae as follows:

$$\mathcal{I}(\neg \phi) = \mathcal{I}(\phi) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\phi \land \psi) = \mathcal{I}(\phi) \land \mathcal{I}(\psi)$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\phi \rightarrow \psi) = \mathcal{I}(\phi) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\psi)$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\exists x \phi) = \sup_{c \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \mathcal{I}_{x}^{c}(\phi)$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\forall x \phi) = \inf_{c \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \mathcal{I}_{x}^{c}(\phi)$$

where \mathcal{I}_{x}^{c} is as \mathcal{I} , except that variable x is mapped into individual c

• Definitions of $\mathcal{I} \models \phi, \mathcal{I} \models \mathcal{T}, \models \phi, \mathcal{T} \models \phi, ||\phi||_{\mathcal{T}}$ and $|\phi|_{\mathcal{T}}$ are as for the propositional case



Axioms of logic $C\forall$, where $C \in \{BL, L, \Pi, G\}$

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(Axioms) Axioms of \mathcal{C}
(\forall 1) \ \forall x \phi(x) \to \phi(t) \ (t \ \text{substitutable for} \ x \ \text{in} \ \phi(x))
(\exists 1) \ \phi(t) \to \exists x \phi(x) \ (t \ \text{substitutable for} \ x \ \text{in} \ \phi(x))
(\forall 2) \ \forall x (\psi \to \phi) \to (\psi \to \forall x \phi) \ (x \ \text{not free in} \ \psi)
(\exists 2) \ \forall x (\phi \to \psi) \to (\exists x \phi \to \psi) \ (x \ \text{not free in} \ \psi)
(\forall 3) \ \forall x (\phi \overline{\lor} \psi) \to (\forall x \phi) \overline{\lor} \psi \ (x \ \text{not free in} \ \psi)
(\text{Modus ponens}) \ \text{from} \ \phi \ \text{and} \ \phi \to \psi \ \text{infer} \ \psi
(\text{Generalization}) \ \text{from} \ \phi \ \text{infer} \ \forall x \phi
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Proposition

$$\mathcal{T} \vdash_{\mathcal{C}} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{\mathcal{C}} \phi.$$

- if \rightarrow is an r-implication then $||\psi||_{\mathcal{T}} \geq ||\phi||_{\mathcal{T}} \wedge ||\phi \rightarrow \psi||_{\mathcal{T}}$
- $\bullet \models_{BI} \forall \exists x \phi \rightarrow \neg \forall x \neg \phi$
- $\bullet \models_{BI} \forall \neg \exists x \phi \equiv \forall x \neg \phi$
- $\bullet \models_{k \, \forall} \exists x \phi \equiv \neg \forall x \neg \phi$

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• $(\neg \forall x p(x)) \land (\neg \exists x \neg p(x))$ has no classical model. In Gödel logic it has no finite model, but has an infinite model: for integer n > 1, let \mathcal{I} such that $p^{\mathcal{I}}(n) = 1/n$

$$(\forall x p(x))^{\mathcal{I}} = \inf_{n} 1/n = 0$$
$$(\exists x \neg p(x))^{\mathcal{I}} = \sup_{n} \neg 1/n = \sup 0 = 0$$

Note: If $\mathcal{I} \models \exists x \phi(x)$ then not necessarily there is $c \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ such that $\mathcal{I} \models \phi(c)$.

$$\Delta^{\mathcal{I}} = \{n \mid \text{integer } n \ge 1\}$$

$$p^{\mathcal{I}}(n) = 1 - 1/n < 1, \text{ for all } n$$

$$(\exists x p(x))^{\mathcal{I}} = \sup_{n \ge 1} 1 - 1/n = 1$$

- Witnessed formula: $\exists x \phi(x)$ is witnessed in \mathcal{I} iff there is $c \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ such that $(\exists x \phi(x))^{\mathcal{I}} = (\phi(c))^{\mathcal{I}}$ (similarly for $\forall x \phi(x)$)
- lacktriangle Witnessed interpretation: \mathcal{I} witnessed if all quantified formulae are witnessed in \mathcal{I}

Proposition

In ξ , ϕ is satisfiable iff there is a witnessed model of ϕ .

The proposition does not hold for logic G and Π



Predicate Rational Pavelka Logic (RPL∀)

- Fix Łukasiewicz t-norm and r-implication
- Formulae are as for $\forall \forall$, where rationals $r \in [0, 1]$ may appear as atoms

(Axioms and rules) As for Ł∀

Proposition

 $\mathcal{T} \vdash_{RPL \forall} \phi \text{ iff } \mathcal{T} \models_{RPL \forall} \phi.$



Fuzzy RDF (we generalize [15, 16, 34])

 Statement (triples) may have attached a degree in [0, 1]: for n ∈ [0, 1]

- Meaning: the degree of truth of the statement is at least n
- For instance,

$$\langle (o1, IsAbout, snoopy), 0.8 \rangle$$



Fuzzy RDF Semantics

- In Fuzzy RDF MT, an interpretation I of a vocabulary V consists of:
 - IR, a non-empty set of resources, called the domain of I.
 - A non empty set IDP, called the property domain of I
 - A mapping IP : IDP → [0, 1] (fuzzy the set of properties of I),
 - $IEXT: IP \rightarrow (2^{IR \times IR} \rightarrow [0, 1])$, given a property, given a subject and and object, returns a value in [0, 1]
 - IS, a mapping from URI references in V into IR ∪ IDP
 - IL. a mapping from typed literals in V into IR
 - A distinguished subset LV of IR, set of literal values, which contains all the plain literals in V
- Satisfiability:

$$I \models \langle (s, p, o), n \rangle$$
 iff
 $IP(I(p)) \land IEXT(I(p))(I(s), I(o)) \ge n$

For instance, using Gödel t-norm $x \wedge v = \min(x, v)$, if

$$I(o1)$$
 = s
 $I(IsAbout)$ = p
 $I(snoopy)$ = o
 $IP(p)$ = 0.9
 $IEXT(p)(s, o)$ = 0.85

then

$$I \models \langle (01, IsAbout, snoopy), 0.8 \rangle$$
 as $\min(IP(p), IEXT(p)(s, o)) = \min(0.9, 0.85) = 0.85 \ge 0.8$

Fuzzy RDFS Interpretations

- In fuzzy RDFS, class extensions are fuzzy sets of domainÕs elements.
- Class interpretation ICEXT is induced by IEXT(I(type))

$$ICEXT(y)(x) = IEXT(I(type))(x, y)$$

If x is of type y then the degree of being x and instance of y is given by ICEXT(y)(x)

- Fuzzy RDFS adds extra constraints on interpretations, such as
 - $(UCEXT(y)(u) = IEXT(I(domain))(x, y) \land \exists v. IEXT(x)(u, v))$

 - IEXT(I(subPropertyOf)) is transitive and reflexive on IP
 - a binary relation R is reflexive iff R(x, y) = R(y, x)
 - a binary relation R is transitive iff $R(x, y) \ge \sup_{z} R(x, z) \land R(z, y)$
 - $IEXT(subPropertyOf)(x, y) = IP(x) \land IP(y) \land \forall \langle a, b \rangle . IP(x)(a, b) \rightarrow IP(y)(a, b)$

 - IEXT(I(subClassOf)) is transitive and reflexive on IC
 - IEXT(I(subClassOf))(x, I(Resource)) = IC(x)
 - [SINT(I(subPropertyOf))(x, I(member)) = ICEXT(I(ContainerMembershipProperty))(x)

Inferences in Fuzzy RDFS

Some inferences in fuzzy RDFS (set is not complete). Recall Rational Pavelka Logic (→ is r-implication)

$$\frac{\langle (a,sp,b),n\rangle, \langle (b,sp,c),m\rangle}{\langle ((a,sp,c),n\wedge m)\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a,sc,b),n\rangle, \langle (b,sc,c),m\rangle}{\langle (a,sc,c),n\wedge m\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a,sc,c),n\wedge m\rangle}{\langle (a,dom,b),n\rangle, \langle (x,a,y),m\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a,dom,b),n\rangle, \langle (x,a,y),m\rangle}{\langle (x,type,b),n\wedge m\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a,dom,b),n\rangle, \langle (c,sp,a),m\rangle, \langle (x,c,y),k\rangle}{\langle (x,type,b),n\wedge m\wedge k\rangle}$$

$$\langle (a,dom,b),n\rangle, \langle (c,sp,a),m\rangle, \langle (x,c,y),k\rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle (a,dom,b),n\rangle, \langle (c,sp,a),m\rangle, \langle (x,c,y),k\rangle}{\langle (x,type,b),n\wedge m\wedge k\rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a, sp, b), n \rangle, \langle (x, a, y), m \rangle}{\langle (x, b, y), n \wedge m \rangle}$$

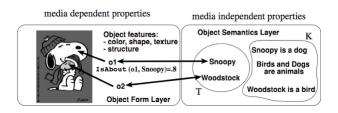
$$\frac{\langle (a, sc, b), n \rangle, \langle (x, type, a), m \rangle}{\langle (x, type, b), n \wedge m \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a, range, b), n \rangle, \langle (x, a, y), m \rangle}{\langle (y, type, b), n \wedge m \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle (a, range, b), n \rangle, \langle (c, sp, a), m \rangle, \langle (x, c, y), k \rangle}{\langle (y, type, b), n \wedge m \wedge k \rangle}$$

sp = "subPropertyOf", sc = "subClassOf"

Example



Fuzzy RDF representation

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\((o1, IsAbout, snoopy), 0.8\)
\((snoopy, type, dog), 1.0\)
\((woodstock, type, bird), 1.0\)
\((dog, subClassOf, Animal), 1.0\)
\((bird, subClassOf, Animal), 1.0\)
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then

$$KB \models \langle \exists x. (o1, IsAbout, x) \land (x, type, Animal), 0.8 \rangle$$

Fuzzy DLs Basics [26]

- In classical DLs, a concept C is interpreted by an interpretation I as a set of individuals
- In fuzzy DLs, a concept C is interpreted by I as a fuzzy set of individuals
- Each individual is instance of a concept to a degree in [0, 1]
- Each pair of individuals is instance of a role to a degree in [0, 1]

Fuzzy ALC

The semantics is an immediate consequence of the First-Order-Logic translation of DLs expressions

t-norm s-norm Interpretation: negation implication

	Syntax		Semantics			
	C, D	- →	ΤI	$\top^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	=	1
				$\perp^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	=	0
			A	$A^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	\in	[0, 1]
			$C \sqcap D \mid$	$(C_1 \sqcap C_2)^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	=	$C_1^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \wedge C_2^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$
			$C \sqcup D \mid$	$ (C_1 \sqcup C_2)^{\perp}(x) $	=	$C_1^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \vee C_2^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$
			¬C	$(\neg C)^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	-	$\neg C^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$
			∃R.C	$(\exists R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(x)$	=	$\sup_{y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} R^{\mathcal{I}}(x, y) \wedge C^{\mathcal{I}}(y)$
			∀R.C	$(\forall R.C)^{\mathcal{I}}(u)$	=	

Assertions: $\langle a:C, r \rangle, \mathcal{I} \models \langle a:C, r \rangle$ iff $C^{\mathcal{I}}(a^{\mathcal{I}}) > r$ (similarly for roles)

• individual a is instance of concept C at least to degree $r, r \in [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{O}$

Inclusion axioms: $C \sqsubset D$.

Concepts:

• this is equivalent to, $\forall x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}.(C^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \to D^{\mathcal{I}}(x)) = 1$, if \to is an r-implication

Basic Inference Problems

Consistency: Check if knowledge is meaningful

Is KB consistent, i.e. satisfiable?

Subsumption: structure knowledge, compute taxonomy

• $KB \models C \sqsubseteq D$?

Equivalence: check if two fuzzy concepts are the same

• $KB \models C = D$?

Graded instantiation: Check if individual a instance of class C to degree at least r

• $KB \models \langle a:C,r \rangle$?

BTVB: Best Truth Value Bound problem

Top-k retrieval: Retrieve the top-k individuals that instantiate C w.r.t. best truth value

bound

• $ans_{top-k}(KB, C) = Top_k\{\langle a, v \rangle \mid v = |a:C)|_{KB}\}$

Some Notes on ...

- Value restrictions:
 - In classical DLs, $\forall R.C \equiv \neg \exists R. \neg C$
 - The same is not true, in general, in fuzzy DLs (depends on the operators' semantics, true for Łukasiewicz, but not true in Gödel logic)
 - Is it acceptable that ∀hasParent.Human ≠ ¬∃hasParent.¬Human? Recall that in Ł and Zadeh,

$$\forall x. \phi \equiv \neg \exists x \neg \phi$$

- Models:
 - In classical DLs $\top \sqsubseteq \neg(\forall R.A) \sqcap (\neg \exists R. \neg A)$ has no classical model
 - In Gödel logic it has no finite model, but has an infinite model
- The choice of the appropriate semantics of the logical connectives is important.
 - Should have reasonable logical properties
 - Certainly it must have efficient algorithms solving basic inference problems
- Łukasiewicz Logic seems the best compromise, though Zadeh semantics has been considered historically in DLs (we recall that Zadeh semantics is not considered by fuzzy logicians)
- For disjointness it is better to use $C \sqcap D \sqsubseteq \bot$ rather than $C \sqsubseteq \neg D$
 - they are not the same, e.g. $A \sqsubseteq \neg A$ says that $A^{\mathcal{I}}(x) \leq 0.5$ holds, for all \mathcal{I} and for all $x \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$

Towards fuzzy OWL Lite and OWL DL

- Recall that OWL Lite and OWL DL relate to SHIF(D) and SHOIN(D), respectively
- We need to extend the semantics of fuzzy \mathcal{ALC} to fuzzy $\mathcal{SHOIN}(D) = \mathcal{ALCHOINR}_+(D)$
- Additionally, we add
 - modifiers (e.g., very)
 - concrete fuzzy concepts (e.g., Young)
 - both additions have explicit membership functions

Number Restrictions, Inverse and Transitive roles

The semantics of the concept (≥ n R) is:

$$\exists y_1,\ldots,y_n. \bigwedge_{i=1}^n R(x,y_i) \wedge \bigwedge_{1\leq i< j\leq n} y_i \neq y_j.$$

The semantics of the concept (≤ n R) is:

$$(\leq n R)^{\mathcal{I}}(x) = \forall y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}. \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n+1} R(x, y_i) \rightarrow \bigvee_{1 \leq i < j \leq n+1} y_i = y_j.$$

- Note: (≥ 1 R) ≡ ∃R. ⊤
- For inverse roles we have for all $x, y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$

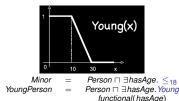
$$R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) = R^{\mathcal{I}}(y,x)$$

• For transitive roles R we impose: for all $x, y \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$

$$R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,y) \ge \sup_{z \in \Delta^{\mathcal{I}}} \min(R^{\mathcal{I}}(x,z), R^{\mathcal{I}}(z,y))$$

Concrete fuzzy concepts

- E.g., Small, Young, High, etc. with explicit membership function
- Use the idea of concrete domains:
 - $D = \langle \Delta_D, \Phi_D \rangle$
 - Δ_D is an interpretation domain
 - Φ_D is the set of concrete fuzzy domain predicates d with a predefined arity n = 1, 2 and fixed interpretation d^D: Δⁿ_D → [0, 1]
 - For instance,



Modifiers

- Very, moreOrLess, slightly, etc.
- Apply to fuzzy sets to change their membership function

•
$$very(x) = x^2$$

• slightly(x) =
$$\sqrt{x}$$

For instance,



 $SportsCar = Car \sqcap \exists speed.very(High)$

Fuzzy SHOIN(D)

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	Syntax			Semantics
	C, D	<i>→</i>	$ \begin{array}{c c} AX & & & \\ & \bot & & \\ & A \mid & \\ & (C \sqcap D) \mid & \\ & (C \sqcup D) \mid & \\ & (\neg C) \mid & \\ & (\exists R.C) \mid & \\ & (\forall R.C) \mid & \\ & \{a\} \mid & \\ & (\leq nR) \mid & \\ & FCC \mid & \\ \end{array} $	Seindmits $T(x)$ $\perp (x)$ $A(x)$ $C_1(x) \wedge C_2(x)$ $C_1(x) \vee C_2(x)$ $-C(x)$ $\exists x \ R(x, y) \wedge C(y)$ $\forall x \ R(x, y) \rightarrow C(y)$ $x = a$ $\exists y_1, \dots, y_n \cdot \bigwedge_{i=1}^n R(x, y_i) \wedge \bigwedge_{1 \le i < j \le n} y_i \neq y_j$ $\forall y_1, \dots, y_{n+1} \cdot \bigwedge_{i=1}^{n+1} R(x, y_i) \rightarrow \bigvee_{1 \le i < j \le n+1} y_i = y_j$ $\#FGG(x)$
	R	\longrightarrow	M(C) P P P	P(x,y) $P(y,x)$
	Syntax		tax	Semantics
3:	α		$\langle a:C,r\rangle \mid (a,b):R,r\rangle$	$ \begin{array}{c} r \to C(a) \\ r \to R(a,b) \end{array} $
	Syntax		ax	Semantics
s:	τ	→ 〈	$C \sqsubseteq D, r \rangle$	$\forall x \ r \rightarrow (C(x) \rightarrow D(x)), \text{ where } \rightarrow \text{is r-implication}$

Axioms

Assertions

Example (Graded Entailment)



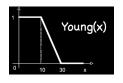
Car	speed
audi_tt	243
mg	≤ 170
ferrari_enzo	≥ 350

SportsCar = Car □ ∃hasSpeed.very(High)

KB ⊨ ⟨ferrari enzo:SportsCar.1⟩

 $KB \models \langle audi_tt:SportsCar, 0.92 \rangle$ $KB \models \langle mg:\neg SportsCar, 0.72 \rangle$

Example (Graded Subsumption)



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Minor = Person \sqcap \exists hasAge. \leq_{18} YoungPerson = Person \sqcap \exists hasAge. Young
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$$KB \models \langle Minor \sqsubseteq YoungPerson, 0.2 \rangle$$

Note: without an explicit membership function of *Young*, this inference cannot be drawn



Example (Simplified Negotiation)



- a car seller sells an Audi TT for 31500 €, as from the catalog price.
- a buyer is looking for a sports-car, but wants to to pay not more than around 30000 €
- classical DLs: the problem relies on the crisp conditions on price
- more fine grained approach: to consider prices as fuzzy sets (as usual in negotiation)
 - Seller may consider optimal to sell above 31500 €, but can go down to 30500 €
 - the buyer prefers to spend less than 30000 €, but can go up to 32000 € AudiTT = SportsCar □ ∃hasPrice.R(x; 30500, 31500)
 - Query = SportsCar $\sqcap \exists hasPrice.L(x; 30000, 32000)$
 - highest degree to which the concept
 C = AudiTT □ Query
 is satisfiable is 0.75 (the possibility that the Audi TT and the query matches is 0.75)
 - the car may be sold at 31250 €



Vagueness basics Vagueness and RDF/DLs Vagueness and LPs/DLPs

Reasoning [19, 17, 18]

Depends on the semantics and reasoning method (tableau-based or MILP-based)

Tableaux method: under Zadeh semantics

- lacktriangled a tableau exists for fuzzy \mathcal{SHIN} , solving the satisfiability problem
- classical blocking methods apply similarly in the fuzzy variant
- the management of General concept inclusions (GCl's) is more complicated compared to the crisp case
- \bullet a translation of fuzzy SHOIN to crisp SHOIN also exists (not addressed here)
- the tableaux method is not suitable to deal with fuzzy concrete concepts and modifiers
- the BTVB can be solved, but not efficiently

MILP based method: under Zadeh semantics, Łukasiewicz semantics, and classical semantics

- exists for fuzzy ALC + linear modifiers + fuzzy concrete concepts [20, 21, 2]
- exists for fuzzy SHIF + linear modifiers + fuzzy concrete concepts (implemented in fuzzyDL reasoner, but not published yet [1, 2])
- solves the BTVB as primary problem

MIQP based method: using Mixed Integer Quadratically Constrained Programming optimization problem (MICQP) for product T-norm

- exists for fuzzy SHIF + linear modifiers + fuzzy concrete concepts (implemented in fuzzyDL reasoner, but not published yet [1]). Important as it simulates probabilistic reasoning under independent event assumption.
- solves the BTVB as primary problem
 - the fuzzyDL solver also allows to mix all three semantics



Fuzzy tableaux-based method

- Tableau algorithm is similar to classical DL tableaux
- Most problems can be reduced to satisfiability problem, e.g.
- Assertions are extended to $\langle a:C \geq n \rangle$, $\langle a:C \leq n \rangle$, $\langle a:C > n \rangle$ and $\langle a:C < n \rangle$
- $KB \models \langle a:C, n \rangle$ iff $KB \cup \{\langle a:C < n \rangle\}$ not satisfiable
 - All models of *KB* do not satisfy $\langle a:C < n \rangle$, i.e. do satisfy $\langle a:C \geq n \rangle$
- Let's see a tableaux algorithm for satisfiability checking, where

$$x \wedge y = \min(x, y)$$

 $x \vee y = \max(x, y)$
 $\neg x = 1 - x$
 $x \rightarrow y = \max(1 - x, y)$



Tableaux for ALC KB

- Works on a tree forest (semantics through viewing tree as an ABox)
 - Nodes represent elements of $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$, labelled with sub-concepts of C and their weights
 - lacktriangle Edges represent role-successorships between elements of $\Delta^{\mathcal{I}}$ and their weights
- Works on concepts in negation normal form: push negation inside using de Morgan' laws and

$$\neg(\exists R.C) \mapsto \forall R.\neg C \\
\neg(\forall R.C) \mapsto \exists R.\neg C$$

- It is initialised with a tree forest consisting of root nodes a, for all individuals appearing in the KB:
 - If $\langle a:C\bowtie n\rangle\in KB$ then $\langle C,\bowtie,n\rangle\in\mathcal{L}(a)$
 - If $\langle (a,b):R\bowtie n\rangle\in KB$ then $\langle \langle a,b\rangle,\bowtie,n\rangle\in\mathcal{E}(R)$
- A tree forest T contains a clash if for a tree T in the forest there is a node x in T, containing a conjugated pair $\{\langle A, \triangleright, n \rangle, \langle C, \triangleleft, m \rangle\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}(x)$, e.g. $\langle A, \geq, 0.6 \rangle, \langle A, <, 0.3 \rangle$
- Returns "KB is satisfiable" if rules can be applied s.t. they yield a clash-free, complete (no more rules apply) tree forest

ALC Tableau rules (excerpt)

$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcap C_2, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots\}$	>□	$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcap C_2, \geq, n \rangle, \langle C_1, \geq, n \rangle, \langle C_2, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots\}$
$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcup C_2, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots\}$	>⊔	$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcup C_2, \geq, n \rangle, \langle C, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots\}$
		for $\overline{C} \in \{C_1, C_2\}$
$x \bullet \{\langle \exists R.C, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots \}$	→∃	$x \bullet \{\langle \exists R.C, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots \}$
		$\langle R, \geq, n \rangle \downarrow$
		$y \bullet \{\langle C, \geq, n \rangle\}$
$x \bullet \{ \langle \forall R.C, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots \}$	$\longrightarrow \forall$	$x \bullet \{\langle \forall R.C, \geq, n \rangle, \ldots \}$
$\langle R, \geq, m \rangle \downarrow \qquad (m > 1 - n)$		$\langle R, \geq, m \rangle \downarrow$
y • {}		$y \bullet \{\ldots, \langle C, \geq, n \rangle \}$
$x \bullet \{C \sqsubseteq D, \ldots\}$		$x \bullet \{C \sqsubseteq D, E, \ldots\}$
	_	for $E \in \{\langle C, <, n \rangle, \langle D, \geq, n \rangle\}, n \in N^{\mathcal{A}}$
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$$KB = \langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$$

$$X^{A} = \{0, 0.5, 1\} \cup \{n \mid \langle \alpha \bowtie n \rangle \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

$$N^{A} = X^{A} \cup \{1 - n \mid n \in X^{A}\}$$

Theorem

Let KB be an \mathcal{ALC} KB and F obtained by applying the tableau rules to KB. Then

- The rule application terminates,
- If F is clash-free and complete, then F defines a (canonical) (tree forest) model for KB, and
- If KB has a model T, then the rules can be applied such that they yield a clash-free and complete forest F.

The tableau can be modified to a decision procedure for

- SHIN ($\equiv ALCHINR_+$)
- SHOIQ ($\equiv ALCHOIQR_+$) (expected)

Problem with fuzzy tableau

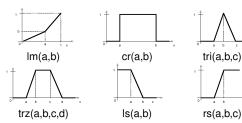
- Usual fuzzy tableaux calculus does not work anymore with
 - modifiers and concrete fuzzy concepts
 - Łukasiewicz Logic
 - Product T-norm
- Usual fuzzy tableaux calculus does not solve the BTVB problem
- New algorithm uses bounded Mixed Integer Programming oracle, as for Many Valued Logics
 - Recall: the general MILP problem is to find

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{Q}^k, \bar{\mathbf{y}} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$$
 $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{y}}) = \min\{f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \colon A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{y} \ge \mathbf{h}\}$
 $A, B \text{ integer matrixes}$



Requirements

- Works for usual fuzzy DL semantics (Zadeh semantics) and Lukasiewicz logic
- Modifiers are definable as linear in-equations over \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z} (e.g., linear hedges), for instance, linear hedges, Im(a, b), e.g. very = Im(0.7, 0.49)
- Fuzzy concrete concepts are definable as linear in-equations over Q, Z (e.g., crisp, triangular, trapezoidal, left shoulder and right shoulder membership functions)



Example:



$$Minor = Person \sqcap \exists hasAge. \leq_{18} \\ YoungPerson = Person \sqcap \exists hasAge. Young \\ Young = Is(10, 30) \\ \leq_{18} = cr(0, 18)$$

Then

$$|a:C|_{\mathcal{KB}} = \min\{x \mid \mathcal{KB} \cup \{\langle a:C \leq x \rangle \text{ satisfiable}\}\$$

 $|C \sqsubseteq D|_{\mathcal{KB}} = \min\{x \mid \mathcal{KB} \cup \{\langle a:C \sqcap \neg D \geq 1 - x \rangle \text{ satisfiable}\}\$

 Apply (deterministic) tableaux calculus, then use bounded Mixed Integer Programming oracle

\mathcal{ALC} MILP Tableau rules under Zadeh semantics (excerpt)

\longrightarrow	$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcap C_2, \geq, l \rangle, \langle C_1, \geq, l \rangle, \langle C_2, \geq, l \rangle, \ldots\}$
	$x \bullet \{\langle C_1 \sqcup C_2, \geq, I \rangle, \langle C_1, \geq, x_1 \rangle, \langle C_2, \geq, x_2 \rangle,$
	$x_1 + x_2 = I, x_1 \le y, x_2 \le 1 - y,$
	$x_i \in [0,1], y \in \{0,1\}, \ldots\}$
>∃	$x \bullet \{\langle \exists R.C, \geq, I \rangle, \ldots \}$
	$\langle R, \geq, I \rangle \downarrow$
	$y \bullet \{\langle C, \geq, I \rangle\}$
\longrightarrow \forall	$x \bullet \{\langle \forall R.C, \geq, l_1 \rangle, \ldots \}$
	$\langle R, \geq, l_2 \rangle \downarrow$
	$y \bullet \{\ldots, \langle C, \geq, x \rangle$
	$x + y \ge l_1, x \le y, l_1 + l_2 \le 2 - y,$
	$x \in [0, 1], y \in \{0, 1\}\}$
→ _{⊑1}	$x \bullet \{A \sqsubseteq C, \langle C, \geq, I \rangle, \ldots\}$
⊢2	$x \bullet \{C \sqsubseteq A, \langle C, \leq, I \rangle, \ldots\}$
	$x \bullet \{C \sqsubseteq D, \langle C, \leq, x \rangle, \langle D, \geq, x \rangle, x \in [0, 1], \ldots\}$
	$x \bullet \{ls(k_1, k_2, a, b), y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 1, y_i \in \{0, 1\},$
_	$x + (k_2 - a) \cdot y_1 \le k_2, x + (k_1 - a) \cdot y_2 \ge k_1,$
	$x+(k_2-b)\cdot y_2\geq k_2,$
	$x + (b - a) \cdot l + (k_2 - a) \cdot y_2 \le k_2 - a + b,$
1	$x + (k_1 - b) \cdot y_3 \le k_1, l + y_3 \le 1, \ldots$
	$ \longrightarrow \Box $ $ \longrightarrow \exists $ $ \longrightarrow \forall $ $ \longrightarrow \sqsubseteq_1$ $ \longrightarrow \sqsubseteq_2$ $ \longrightarrow \sqsubseteq$

Example

Suppose
$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{K}\mathcal{B} & = & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{A} \sqcap \mathcal{B} \sqsubseteq \mathcal{C} \\ \langle a : \mathcal{A} \geq 0.3 \rangle \\ \langle a : \mathcal{B} \geq 0.4 \rangle \end{array} \right.$$

$$\textit{Query} \quad : \quad = \quad |a\text{:}C|_{\textit{KB}} = \min\{x \mid \textit{KB} \cup \{\langle \textit{a}\text{:}C \leq \textit{x}\rangle \text{ satisfiable}\}$$

Step	Tree	
1.	$a \bullet \{\langle A, \geq, 0.3 \rangle, \langle B, \geq, 0.4 \rangle, \langle C, \leq, x \rangle\}$	(Hypothesis)
2.	$\cup \{\langle A \sqcap B, \leq, x \rangle\}$	(→□2)
3.	$\cup \{\langle A, \leq, x_1 \rangle, \langle B, \leq, x_2 \rangle\}$	(→□<)
	$\cup \{x = x_1 + x_2 - 1, 1 - y \le x_1, y \le x_2\}$	_
	$\cup \{x_i \in [0,1], y \in \{0,1\}\}$	
4.	find min $\{x \mid \langle a:A \geq 0.3 \rangle, \langle a:B \geq 0.4 \rangle,$	(MILP Oracle)
	$\langle a:C \leq x \rangle, \langle a:A \leq x_1 \rangle, \langle a:B \leq x_2 \rangle,$	
	$x = x_1 + x_2 - 1, 1 - y \le x_1, y \le x_2,$	
	$x_i \in [0, 1], y \in \{0, 1\}\}$	
5.	MILP oracle: $\mathbf{x} = 0.3$	

Implementation issues

- Several options exists:
 - Try to map fuzzy DLs to classical DLs
 - difficult to work with modifiers and concrete fuzzy concepts
 - Try to map fuzzy DLs to some fuzzy logic programming framework
 - A lot of work exists about mappings among classical DLs and LPs
 - But, needs a theorem prover for fuzzy LPs
 - Build an ad-hoc theorem prover for fuzzy DLs, using e.g., MILP
- A theorem prover for fuzzy SHIF + linear hedges + concrete fuzzy concepts + linear equational constraints, under classical, Zadeh, Lukasiewicz and Product t-norm semantics has been implemented (http://gaia.isti.cnr.it/~straccia)
- FIRE: a fuzzy DL theorem prover for fuzzy SHIN under Zadeh semantics (http://www.image.ece.ntua.gr/~nsimou/)

Top-*k* retrieval in tractable DLs: the case of DL-Lite/DLR-Lite [25, 30]

- DL-Lite/DLR-Lite [3]: a simple, but interesting DLs
- Captures important subset of UML/ER diagrams
- Computationally tractable DL to query large databases
- Sub-linear, i.e. LOGSpace in data complexity
 - (same cost as for SQL)
- Good for very large database tables, with limited declarative schema design



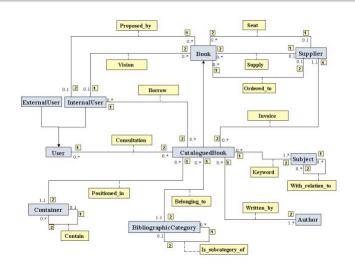
- Nnowledge base: $KB = \langle T, A \rangle$, where T and A are finite sets of axioms and assertions
- Axiom: $Cl \sqsubset Cr$ (inclusion axiom)
- Note for inclusion axioms: the language for left hand side is different from the one for right hand side
- DL-Litecore:

• Concepts:
$$CI \rightarrow A \mid \exists R$$

 $Cr \rightarrow A \mid \exists R \mid \neg A \mid \neg \exists R$
 $R \rightarrow P \mid P^-$

- Assertion: a:A, (a, b):P
- DLR-Lite_{core}: (n-ary roles)

- ∃P[i] is the projection on i-th column
- Assertion: a:A, \langle a₁, . . . , a_n \rangle:P
- Assertions are stored in relational tables
- Conjunctive query: q(x) ← ∃y.conj(x, y) conj is an aggregation of expressions of the form B(z) or P(z₁, z₂),



Examples:

isa CatalogueBook ⊑ Book

disjointness Book $\sqsubseteq \neg$ Author

 $\textit{constraints} \qquad \textit{CatalogueBook} \sqsubseteq \exists \textit{positioned_In}$

role - typing ∃positioned_In \sqsubseteq Container

functional fun(positioned_In) constraints Author \square \exists written By^-

∃written_By ⊑ CatalogueBook

assertion Romeo and Juliet:CatalogueBook

(Romeo_and_Juliet, Shakespeare):written_By

query $q(x, y) \leftarrow CataloguedBook(x), Ordered_to(x, y)$

- Consistency check is linear time in the size of the KB
- Query answering in linear in in the size of the number of assertions

Top-k retrieval in DL-Lite/DLR-Lite

- We extend the query formalism: conjunctive queries, where fuzzy predicates may appear
- conjunctive query

$$q(\mathbf{x}, s) \leftarrow \exists \mathbf{y}.conj(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), s = f(p_1(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, p_n(\mathbf{z}_n))$$

- **1 x** are the distinguished variables;
- s is the score variable, taking values in [0, 1];
- y are existentially quantified variables, called non-distinguished variables;
- \bigcirc conj(x, y) is a conjunction of DL-Lite/DLR-Lite atoms R(z) in KB;
- z are tuples of constants in KB or variables in x or y;
- \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{z}_{i} are tuples of constants in KB or variables in \mathbf{x} or \mathbf{y} ;
- p_i is an n_i -ary fuzzy predicate assigning to each n_i -ary tuple \mathbf{c}_i the score $p_i(\mathbf{c}_i) \in [0,1]$;
- **3** *f* is a monotone *scoring* function $f: [0,1]^n \rightarrow [0,1]$, which combines the scores of the *n* fuzzy predicates $p_i(\mathbf{c}_i)$

Example:

Hotel		∃HasHLoc
Hotel		∃HasHPrice
Conference	⊑	∃HasCLoc
Hotel	⊑	¬Conference

HasHLoc		HasCLoc		HasHPrice	
HoteIID	HasLoc	ConfID HasLoc		HoteIID	Price
<i>h</i> 1	<i>h</i> /1	c1	c/1	<i>h</i> 1	150
h2	hl2	c2	cl2	h2	200
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$$q(h, s) \leftarrow HasHLoc(h, hl), HasHPrice(h, p), Distance(hl, cl, d)$$

 $HasCLoc(c1, cl), s = cheap(p) \cdot close(d)$.

where the fuzzy predicates cheap and close are defined as

$$close(d) = ls(0, 2km, d)$$

 $cheap(p) = ls(0, 300, p)$

Semantics informally:

a conjunctive query

$$q(\mathbf{x}, s) \leftarrow \exists \mathbf{y}.conj(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), s = f(p_1(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, p_n(\mathbf{z}_n))$$

is interpreted in an interpretation ${\mathcal I}$ as the set

$$q^{\mathcal{I}} = \{ \langle \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \in \Delta \times \ldots \times \Delta \times [0, 1] \mid \ldots \}$$

such that when we consider the substitution

$$\theta = \{\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{c}, s/v\}$$

the formula

$$\exists \mathbf{y}.conj(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) \land s = f(p_1(\mathbf{z}_1),\ldots,p_n(\mathbf{z}_n))$$

evaluates to true in \mathcal{I} .

- Model of a query: $\mathcal{I} \models q(\mathbf{c}, v)$ iff $\langle \mathbf{c}, v \rangle \in q^{\mathcal{I}}$
- Entailment: $KB \models q(\mathbf{c}, v)$ iff $\mathcal{I} \models KB$ implies $\mathcal{I} \models q(\mathbf{c}, v)$
- Top-k retrieval: $ans_{top-k}(KB, q) = Top_k\{\langle \mathbf{c}, v \rangle \mid KB \models q(\mathbf{c}, v)\}$

How to determine the top-k answers of a query?

- Overall strategy: three steps
 - 1 Check if KB is satisfiable, as querying a non-satisfiable KB is meaningless (checkable in linear time)
 - Query q is reformulated into a set of conjunctive queries r(q, T)
 - Basic idea: reformulation procedure closely resembles a top-down resolution procedure for logic programming

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), A(x), s = f(x)$$

$$B_1 \sqsubseteq A$$

$$B_2 \sqsubseteq A$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), B_1(x), s = f(x)$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), B_2(x), s = f(x)$$

- 3 The reformulated queries in r(q, T) are evaluated over A (seen as a database) using standard top-k techniques for DBs
 - for all $q_i \in r(q, T)$, $ans_{top-k}(q_i, A) = top-k$ SQL query over A database
 - $ans_{top-k}(KB, q) = Top_k(\bigcup_{q_i \in r(q, T)} ans_k(q_i, A))$

Small Example:

F	2]	В
0	s		1
3	t		2
4	q		5
6	q		7

$$T = \{\exists P_2^- \sqsubseteq A, A \sqsubseteq \exists P_1, B \sqsubseteq \exists P_2\}$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow P_2(x,y), P_1(y,z), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow P_2(x,y), A(y), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow P_2(x,y), P_2(z,y), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow P_2(x,y), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q_1(x,s) \leftarrow P_2(x,y), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q_2(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$q_2(x,s) \leftarrow B(x), s = \max(0,1-x/10)$$

$$ans_{10p-3}(A,q_1) = [\langle 0,1.0\rangle, \langle 3,0.7\rangle, \langle 4,0.6\rangle]$$

$$ans_{10p-3}(A,q_2) = [\langle 1,0.9\rangle, \langle 2,0.8\rangle, \langle 5,0.5\rangle]$$

Proposition

Given a DL-Lite KB KB = $\langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$ and a query q then we can compute $ans_{top-k}(KB, q)$ in (sub) linear time w.r.t. the size of \mathcal{A} . The same holds for the description logic DLR-Lite.

Tool exists and implemented in the DLMedia system

DLMedia: a Multimedia Information Retrieval System [33]

- Based on fuzzy DLR-Lite with similarity predicates
 - Axioms: $RI_1 \sqcap \ldots \sqcap RI_m \sqsubset Rr$

$$\begin{array}{lll} \textit{Rr} & \longrightarrow & A \mid \exists [i_1, \ldots, i_k] R \\ \textit{Rl} & \longrightarrow & A \mid \exists [i_1, \ldots, i_k] R \mid \exists [i_1, \ldots, i_k] R. (\textit{Cond}_1 \sqcap \ldots \sqcap \textit{Cond}_l) \\ \textit{Cond} & \longrightarrow & ([i] \leq v) \mid ([i] \geq v) \mid ([i] \geq v) \mid ([i] = v) \mid ([i] \neq v) \mid \\ & ([i] \textit{simTxt}' k_1, \ldots, k_n') \mid ([i] \textit{simIng URN}) \\ \end{array}$$

- \bullet $\exists [i_1, \ldots, i_k] R$ is the projection of the relation R on the columns i_1, \ldots, i_k
- $\exists [i_1, \dots, i_k] R. (Cond_1 \cap \dots \cap Cond_l)$ further restricts the projection $\exists [i_1, \dots, i_k] R$ according to the conditions specified in $Cond_i$
- ([i] simTxt 'k₁ . . . k'_n) evaluates the degree of being the text of the i-th column similar to the list of keywords k₁ . . . k_n
- ([i] simImg URN) returns the system's degree of being the image identified by the i-th column similar to the image identified by the URN
- Facts: ⟨R(c₁,...,c_n), s⟩



Example axioms

$$\exists [1,2] Person \sqsubseteq \exists [1,2] hasAge \\ // constrains relation hasAge(name, age) \\ \exists [3,1] Person \sqsubseteq \exists [1,2] hasChild \\ // constrains relation hasChild(father_name, name) \\ \exists [4,1] Person \sqsubseteq \exists [1,2] hasChild \\ // constrains relation hasChild(mother_name, name) \\ \exists [3,1] Person.(([2] \ge 18) \sqcap ([5] = 'female') \sqsubseteq \exists [1,2] hasAdultDaughter \\ // constrains relation hasAdultDaughter(father_name, name)$$

On the other hand examples axioms involving similarity predicates are,

$$\exists [1] ImageDescr.([2] simImg urn1) \quad \sqsubseteq \quad Child \tag{1}$$

$$\exists [1] Title.([2] simTxt' lion') \sqsubseteq Lion$$
 (2)

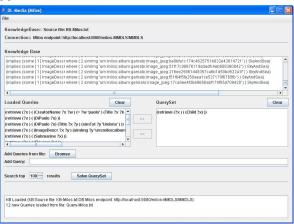
where urn1 identifies the image



Example queries

- $q(x) \leftarrow Child(x)$ // find objects about a child (strictly speaking, find instances of *Child*)
- $q(x) \leftarrow CreatorName(x, y) \land (y = 'paolo'), Title(x, z), (z simTxt'tour')$ // find images made by Paolo whose title is about 'tour'
- $q(x) \leftarrow ImageDescr(x, y) \land (y simImg urn2)$ // find images similar to a given image identified by urn2
- $q(x) \leftarrow \textit{ImageObject}(x) \land \textit{isAbout}(x, y_1) \land \textit{Car}(y_1) \land \textit{isAbout}(x, y_2) \land \textit{Racing}(y_2) \\ \textit{// find image objects about cars racing}$

Interface:



Run:



Fuzzy LPs Basics [4, 6, 7, 22, 23, 29, 35]

- Many Logic Programming (LP) frameworks have been proposed to manage uncertain and imprecise information. They differ in:
 - The underlying notion of uncertainty and vagueness: probability, possibility, many-valued, fuzzy logics
 - How values, associated to rules and facts, are managed
- We consider fuzzy LPs, where
 - Truth space is [0, 1]
 - Interpretation is a mapping $I: B_{\mathcal{P}} \to [0,1]$
 - Generalized LP rules are of the form

$$R(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \exists \mathbf{y}. f(R_1(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, R_l(\mathbf{z}_l), p_1(\mathbf{z}_1'), \dots, p_h(\mathbf{z}_h'))$$
,

Meaning of rules: "take the truth-values of all R_i(z_i), p_j(z'_j),
combine them using the truth combination function f, and
assign the result to R(x)"

Same meaning as for fuzzy DLR-Lite gueries

$$R(\mathbf{x}, s) \leftarrow \exists \mathbf{y}.conj(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), s = f(p_1(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, p_{l+h}(\mathbf{z}_{l+h}))$$

- **x** are the *distinguished variables*;
- s is the score variable, taking values in [0, 1];
- **y** are existentially quantified variables, called *non-distinguished variables*;
- conj(x, y) is a list of atoms R_i(z) in KB;
 z are tuples of constants in KB or variables in x or y;
- \mathbf{z}_{i} are tuples of constants in KB or variables in \mathbf{x} or \mathbf{y} ;
- p_i is an n_i -ary fuzzy predicate assigning to each n_i -ary tuple \mathbf{c}_i the score $p_i(\mathbf{c}_i) \in [0,1];$
- 8 f is a monotone scoring function $f: [0,1]^{l+h} \rightarrow [0,1]$, which combines the scores of the *n* fuzzy predicates $p_i(\mathbf{c}_i)$

Example

ID	HOTEL	PRICE Single	PRICE Double	DISTANCE	S
1	Verdi	100	120	5Min	0.75
2	Puccini	120	135	10Min	0.5
3	Rossini	80	90	15Min	0.25

$$R(x_1, x_2) \leftarrow CloseHotel(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \cdot cheap(x_3)$$
,

where

$$\textit{cheap}(\textit{p}) = \textit{ls}(0, 250, \textit{p}) \; .$$

Example

Car buying example:

$$Pref_1(x, p, s) \leftarrow hasPrice(x, p),$$
 $LS(0, 100000, 11000, 13000, p, s)$
 $Pref_2(x, s) \leftarrow Kilometers(x, k),$
 $LS(0, 400000, 15000, 20000, k, s)$
 $Buyer(x, p, u) \leftarrow Pref_1(x, p, s_1), Pref_2(x, s_2),$
 $u = 0.75 \cdot s_1 + 0.25 \cdot s_2$

Semantics of fuzzy LPs

Model of a LP:

$$I \models \mathcal{P}$$
 iff $I \models r$, for all $r \in \mathcal{P}^*$
 $I \models A \leftarrow \varphi$ iff $I(\varphi) \leq I(A)$

Least model exists and is least fixed-point of

$$T_{\mathcal{P}}(I)(A) = I(\varphi)$$

for all $A \leftarrow \varphi \in \mathcal{P}^*$

Fuzzy LPs may be tricky:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle A,0\rangle & & \\ A & \leftarrow & (A+1)/2 \end{array}$$

In the minimal model the truth of *A* is 1 (requires ω T_P iterations)!

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General top-down query procedure for Many-valued LPs

- Idea: use theory of fixed-point computation of equational systems over truth space (complete lattice or complete partial order)
- Assign a variable x_i to an atom $A_i \in B_P$
- Map a rule $A \leftarrow f(A_1, \dots, A_n) \in \mathcal{P}^*$ into the equation $x_A = f(x_{A_1}, \dots, x_{A_n})$
- lacktriangle A LP $\mathcal P$ is thus mapped into the equational system

$$\begin{cases} x_1 &= f_1(x_{1_1}, \dots, x_{1_{a_1}}) \\ &\vdots \\ x_n &= f_n(x_{n_1}, \dots, x_{n_{a_n}}) \end{cases}$$

f_i is monotone and, thus, the system has least fixed-point, which is the limit of

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \mathbf{y}_0 & = & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{y}_{i+1} & = & \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_i) \ . \end{array}$$

where
$$\mathbf{f} = \langle f_1, \dots, f_n \rangle$$
 and $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \langle f_1(x_1), \dots, f_n(x_n) \rangle$

- The least-fixed point is the least model of \mathcal{P}
- Consequence: If top-down procedure exists for equational systems then it works for fuzzy LPs too! ◆□▶ ◆□▶ ◆重▶ ◆重 ・夕久@

Following [22, 23] . . .

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Procedure Solve(S, Q)
      Input: monotonic system S = \langle \mathcal{L}, V, \mathbf{f} \rangle, where Q \subseteq V is the set of query variables;
      Output: A set B \subseteq V, with Q \subseteq B such that the mapping v equals lfp(f) on B.
           A: = Q, dg: = Q, in: = \emptyset, for all x \in V do v(x) = 0, exp(x) = 0
1.
2.
           while A \neq \emptyset do
3.
              select x_i \in A, A := A \setminus \{x_i\}, dg := dg \cup s(x_i)
4.
              r:=f_i(v(x_{i_1}),...,v(x_{i_{a_i}}))
5.
              if r \succ v(x_i) then v(x_i) := r, A := A \cup (p(x_i) \cap dq) fi
              if not exp(x_i) then exp(x_i) = 1, A: = A \cup (s(x_i) \setminus in), in: = in \cup s(x_i) fi
6.
           od
```

For $q(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \phi \in \mathcal{P}$, with s(q) we denote the set of *sons* of q w.r.t. r, i.e. the set of intentional predicate symbols occurring in ϕ . With p(q) we denote the set of *parents* of q, i.e. the set $p(q) = \{p_i \colon q \in s(p_i, r)\}$ (the set of predicate symbols directly depending on q).

Good driver(iohn)

Experience(iohn) \land (0.5Risk(iohn))

- Set of facts (Experience(john), 0.7), (Risk(john), 0.5), (Sport_car(john), 0.8)
- Set of rules, which after grounding are:

Risk(john)

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Risk(john) ←
                                                                                                                                                                                      0.8 · Sport car(john)
                                                                                                                                                                                 Experience(john) \land (0.5 · Good driver(john))
                                                                                     Risk(john)
                                                                                                                                                                 ←
1.
                        A: = \{x_{B(\hat{I})}\}, x_{\hat{I}}: = x_{B(\hat{I})}, A: = \emptyset, dg: = \{x_{B(\hat{I})}, x_{Y(\hat{I})}, x_{S(\hat{I})}, x_{E(\hat{I})}, x_{G(\hat{I})}\}, r: = 0.5, v(x_{B(\hat{I})}): = 0.5,
                        A: = \{x_{G(j)}\}, \exp(x_{B(j)}): = 1, A: = \{x_{Y(j)}, x_{S(j)}, x_{E(j)}, x_{G(j)}\}, \text{ in } : = \{x_{Y(j)}, x_{S(j)}, x_{E(j)}, x_{G(j)}\}
                        x_i: = x_{Y(i)}, A: = {x_{S(i)}, x_{E(i)}, x_{G(i)}}, r: = 0, exp(x_{Y(i)}): = 1
2.
3.
                        x_i: = x_{S(i)}, A: = \{x_{E(j)}, x_{G(j)}\}, r: = 0.8, v(x_{S(j)}): = 0.8, A: = \{x_{E(j)}, x_{G(j)}, x_{B(j)}\}, exp(x_{S(j)}): = 1
4.
                        x_i: = x_{E(i)}, A: = \{x_{G(i)}, x_{R(i)}\}, r: = 0.7, v(x_{E(i)}): = 0.7, exp(x_{E(i)}): = 1
5.
                         x_i: = x_{G(i)}, A: = \{x_{B(i)}\}, r: = 0.25, v(x_{G(i)}): = 0.25, exp(x_{G(i)}): = 1,
                         in: \{x_{Y(j)}, x_{S(j)}, x_{E(j)}, x_{G(j)}, x_{B(j)}\}
                        x_i: = x_{B(i)}, A: = \emptyset, r: = 0.64, v(x_{B(i)}): = 0.64, A: = {x_{G(i)}}
6.
7.
                        x_i: = x_{G(i)}, A: = \emptyset, r: = 0.32, v(x_{G(i)}): = 0.32, A: = \{x_{B(i)}\}
                        x_i := x_{G(i)}, A := \emptyset, r := 0.64
8.
                        stop. return v (in particular, v(x_{R(i)}) = 0.64)
10.
```

0.8 · Young(john)

- The top-down procedure can be extended to
 - fuzzy Normal Logic Programs (Logic programs with non-monotone negation) [22]
 - Many-valued Normal Logic Programs under Any-world Assumption [9, 28]
 - Logic Programs, without requiring the grounding of the program
- Other approaches for top-down methods for monotone fuzzy LPs: [6, 35, 7, 4]
- Magics sets like methods: yet to investigate ...
- There are also extensions to Fuzzy Disjunctive Logic Programs [10, 11, 24, 13, 14] with or without default negation



Top-k retrieval in LPs

- If the database contains a huge amount of facts, a brute force approach fails:
 - one cannot anymore compute the score of all tuples, rank all of them and only then return the top-k
- Better solutions exists for restricted fuzzy LP languages:
 Datalog + restriction on the score combination functions appearing in the body [29, 32]
- The procedure is an generalization of the Solve procedure, integrating top-k database technology [8, 32]
- We do not determine all answers, but collect answers incrementally together and we can stop as soon as we have gathered k answers above a computed threshold



```
Procedure TopAnswers(K, Q, k)
Input: KB \mathcal{K}, intensional query relation symbol Q, k > 1;
Output: Mapping rankedList such that rankedList(Q) contains top-k answers of Q
Init: \delta = 1, for all rules r : P(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \phi in P do
                     if P intensional then rankedList(P) = \emptyset:
                     if P extensional then rankedList(P) = T_P endfor
1.
         dool
2.
             Active := \{Q\}, dg := \{Q\}, in := \emptyset,
                                  for all rules r: P(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \phi do \exp(P, r) = \text{false};
3.
             while (Active \neq \emptyset) do
4
                select P \in A where r : P(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \phi, Active := Active \ \{P\}, dg := dg \cup s(P, r);
5.
                \langle \mathbf{t}, s \rangle := \operatorname{getNextTuple}(P, r)
                if \langle \mathbf{t}, s \rangle \neq \text{NULL} then insert \langle \mathbf{t}, s \rangle into rankedList(P),
                                  Active := Active \cup (p(P) \cap dg):
7.
                if not \exp(P, r) then \exp(P, r) = \text{true},
                                   Active := Active \cup (s(P, r) \ in), in := in \cup s(p, r);
             endwhile
             Update threshold \delta:
8
         until (rankedList(Q) does contain k top-ranked tuples with score above \delta)
9.
                                   or (rL' = rankedList):
10.
         return top-k ranked tuples in rankedList(Q);
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```
Procedure getNextTuple(P, r)
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Input: intensional relation symbol *P* and rule $r: P(\mathbf{x}) \leftarrow \exists \mathbf{y}. f(R_1(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, R_n(\mathbf{z}_l)) \in P$; **Output:** Next tuple satisfying the body of the *r* together with the score Init:

loop

- 1. Generate next new instance tuple $\langle \mathbf{t}, s \rangle$ of P, using tuples in rankedList(R_i) and RankSQL
- if there is no $\langle \mathbf{t}, s' \rangle \in \text{rankedList}(P, r)$ with s < s' then exit loop 2 until no new valid join tuple can be generated
- return (t, s) if it exists else return NULL 3.

$$q(x) \leftarrow \min(r_1(x,y), r_2(y,z))$$

recld		<i>r</i> ₁			r ₂	
1	а	b	1.0	m	h	0.95
2	С	d	0.9	m	j	0.85
3	е	f	0.8	f	k	0.75
4	1	m	0.7	m	n	0.65
5	0	р	0.6	р	q	0.55
	١.					

TopAnswers				
Iter	р	Δ_r	rankedList(p)	δ
1.	q	$\langle e, k, 0.75 \rangle$	⟨e, k, 0.75⟩	0.8
2.	q	$\langle I, h, 0.7 \rangle$	$\langle e, k, 0.75 \rangle, \langle I, h, 0.7 \rangle$	0.75
3.	q	$\langle I, j, 0.7 \rangle$	$\langle e, k, 0.75 \rangle, \langle I, h, 0.7 \rangle, \langle I, j, 0.7 \rangle$	0.75
4.	q	⟨ <i>I</i> , <i>n</i> , 0.65⟩	$\langle e, k, 0.75 \rangle, \langle I, h, 0.7 \rangle,$ $\langle I, i, 0, 7 \rangle, \langle I, n, 0, 65 \rangle$	0.7

	getNextTuple				
Iter	pi	$\langle t_i, s_i \rangle$	Q(p, r)		
1.	<i>r</i> ₁	r ₁ (1)	_		
	r ₂	$r_2(1)$	_		
	r ₁	$r_1(2)$	_		
	r ₂	r ₂ (2)	_		
	r ₁	$r_1(3)$	_		
	r ₂	$r_2(3)$	$\langle e, k, 0.75 \rangle$		
2.	<i>r</i> ₁	r ₁ (4)	$\langle I, h, 0.7 \rangle, \langle I, j, 0.7 \rangle$		
3.	_	_	$\langle I, j, 0.7 \rangle$		

Fuzzy DLPs Basics [10, 11, 27, 31]

- Combine fuzzy DLs with fuzzy LPs:
 - Like fuzzy LPs, but DL atoms and roles may appear in rules

```
 \textit{LowCarPrice}(z) \qquad \leftarrow \quad \min(\textit{made\_by}(x,y), \textit{DL[ChineseCarCompany]}(y) \\ \textit{price}(x,z)) \cdot \textit{DL[Low]}(z)
```

Low = LS(5.000, 15.000)ChineseCarCompany □ ∃has location.China

- Knowledge Base is a pair $KB = \langle \mathcal{P}, \Sigma \rangle$, where
 - P is a fuzzy logic program
 - Σ is a fuzzy DL knowledge base (set of assertions and inclusion axioms)

Fuzzy DLPs Semantics

- Semantics: several approaches
- In principle, for each classical semantics based integration between DLs and LPs, there is be a fuzzy analogue
 - Pay attention, the fuzzy variant may add further technical and computational complications
 - Axiomatic approach: fuzzy DL atoms and roles are managed uniformely
 - Loosely Coupled approach: fuzzy DL atoms and roles are like "procedural attachments" (procedural calls to a fuzzy DL theorem prover)
 - Tightly coupled approach: The DL component restricts the models to be considered for the LP component



Axiomatic approach

- Formally easy
 - *I* is a model of $KB = \langle \mathcal{P}, \Sigma \rangle$ iff $I \models \mathcal{P}$ and $I \models \Sigma$
- To guarantee decidability, e.g.
 - DL-safe rules +
 - Fuzzy LP component has to be decidable
- Decision algorithm: No algorithm exists yet. Though
 - A mapping from fuzzy OWL-DL to fuzzy disjunctive LPs is possible
 - Depends on the semantics and features of the fuzzy DL component (t-norm, fuzzy concrete domains, . . .)
 - Depends on the semantics for the fuzzy disjunctive LP component (e.g., [10, 13, 14, 24])
 - The fuzzy LP semantics has to support the fuzzy DL component semantics
 - However, a tractable (data complexity) top-k algorithm exists for fuzzy DLR-Lite + fuzzy LPs under the axiomatic approach (submitted)



Loosely coupled approach [10, 24, 31, 27]

- Fuzzy DL atoms and roles are procedural attachments (calls to a fuzzy DL theorem prover)
 - *I* is a model of $KB = \langle \mathcal{P}, \Sigma \rangle$ iff $I^{\Sigma} \models \mathcal{P}$
 - $I^{\Sigma}(A) = I(A)$ for all ground non-DL atoms A
 - $I^{\Sigma}(DL[A](a)) = glb(\Sigma, a:A)$ for all ground DL atoms DL[A](a)
 - $I^{\Sigma}(DL[R](a,b)) = glb(\Sigma,(a,b):R)$ for all ground DL roles DL[R](a,b)
- Minimal model property of fuzzy LPs and a fixed-point characterization:

$$T_{\mathcal{P}}(I)(A) = I^{\Sigma}(\varphi), \text{ for } A \leftarrow \varphi \in \mathcal{P}^*$$

 An approach using non-monotone negation is described in [10]

A top-down procedure (without non-monotonicity)

Combine Solve(S, Q) with a theorem prover for fuzzy DLs

- Modify Step 1. of algorithm Solve(S, Q)
 - for all x_{i_i} DL-atoms DL[A](a) (similarly for roles)
 - compute $\bar{x}_{i_i} = glb(KB, a:A)$
 - set $v(x_{i_i}) = \bar{x}_{i_i}$, instead of $v(x_{i_i}) = 0$

Essentially, for all DL-atoms DL[A](a) we compute off-line glb(KB, a:A) and add then the rule $A(a) \leftarrow glb(KB, a:A)$ to \mathcal{P}

Tightly coupled approach [11]

DL atoms may appear anywhere in the rule

$$a_1 \vee_{\oplus_1} \cdots \vee_{\oplus_{l-1}} a_l \leftarrow_{\bigotimes_0} b_1 \wedge_{\bigotimes_1} b_2 \wedge_{\bigotimes_2} \cdots \wedge_{\bigotimes_{k-1}} b_k \geq v$$

For instance.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \textit{query}(\textbf{x}) & \leftarrow_{\otimes} & \textit{SportyCar}(\textbf{x}) \wedge_{\otimes} \textit{hasInvoice}(\textbf{x}, \textbf{y}_1) \wedge_{\otimes} \textit{hasHorsePower}(\textbf{x}, \textbf{y}_2) \wedge_{\otimes} \\ & \textit{LeqAbout22000}(\textbf{y}_1) \wedge_{\otimes} \textit{Around150}(\textbf{y}_2) \geq 1 \ . \end{array}$$

Semantics

- Consider $KB = \langle \mathcal{P}, \Sigma \rangle$
- interpretation $I: HB_{\Phi} \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- $I \models r$ iff

$$I(a_1) \oplus_1 \cdots \oplus_l I(a_l) \geq I(b_1) \otimes_1 \cdots \otimes_{k-1} I(b_k) \otimes_0 v$$
.

- $I \models \mathcal{P}$ iff $I \models r$ for all $r \in \mathcal{P}^*$
- $I \models \Sigma$ iff $\Sigma \cup \{a = I(a) \mid a \in HB_{\Phi}\}$ is satisfiable
- $I \models KB \text{ iff } I \models \mathcal{P} \text{ and } I \models \Sigma$
- The extension to non-monotone negation and a decision procedure is described in [11, 12]
 - Requires a decision procedure for the fuzzy DL component



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Combining Uncertainty and Vagueness in SW Languages

- Description logic programs that allow for dealing with probabilistic uncertainty and fuzzy vagueness.
- Semantically, probabilistic uncertainty can be used for data integration and ontology mapping, and fuzzy vagueness can be used for expressing vague concepts.
- Technically, allows for defining different rankings on ground atoms using fuzzy vagueness, and then for a probabilistic merging of these rankings using probabilistic uncertainty.
- Query processing based on fixpoint iterations.

Suppose a person would like to buy "a sports car that costs at most about 22 000 € and that has a power of around 150 HP".

In todays Web, the buyer has to manually

- search for car selling web sites, e.g., using Google;
- select the most promising sites;
- browse through them, query them to see the cars that each site sells, and match the cars with the requirements;
- select the offers in each web site that match the requirements; and
- eventually merge all the best offers from each site and select the best ones.



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A *shopping agent* may support us, *automatizing* the whole process once it receives the request/query *q* from the buyer:

- The agent selects some sites/resources S that it considers as relevant to q (represented by probabilistic rules).
- For the top-k selected sites, the agent has to reformulate q using the terminology/ontology of the specific car selling site (which is done using probabilistic rules).
- The query q may contain many vague/fuzzy concepts such as "the price is around 22 000 € or less", and so a car may match q to a degree. So, a resource returns a ranked list of cars, where the ranks depend on the degrees to which the cars match q.
- Eventually, the agent integrates the ranked lists (using probabilities) and shows the top-n items to the buyer.



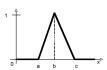
Cars □ Irucks □ Vans □ SUVs □ Venicles PassengerCars □ LuxuryCars □ Cars CompactCars □ MidSizeCars □ SportyCars □ PassengerCars
Cars ⊑ (∃hasReview.Integer) □ (∃hasInvoice.Integer) □ (∃hasResellValue.Integer) □ (∃hasMaxSpeed.Integer) □ (∃hasHorsePower.Integer) □
MazdaMX5Miata: SportyCar □ (∃hasInvoice.18883) □ (∃hasHorsePower.166) □ MitsubishiEclipseSpyder: SportyCar □ (∃hasInvoice.24029) □ (∃hasHorsePower.162) □

We may now encode "costs at most about $22\,000\,\in$ " and "has a power of around 150 HP" in the buyer's request through the following concepts C and D, respectively:

 $C = \exists hasInvoice.LeqAbout22000$ and $D = \exists hasHorsePower.Around150HP$.

where LeqAbout22000 = L(22000, 25000) and Around150HP = Tri(125, 150, 175).





The following fuzzy dl-rule encodes the buyer's request "a sports car that costs at most about 22 000 € and that has a power of around 150 HP".

$$query(x) \leftarrow_{\otimes} SportyCar(x) \land_{\otimes} \\ hasInvoice(x, y_1) \land_{\otimes} \\ DL[LeqAbout22000](y_1) \land_{\otimes} \\ hasHorsePower(x, y_2) \land_{\otimes} \\ DL[Around150HP](y_2) \geq 1.$$

Here, \otimes is the Gödel t-norm (that is, $x \otimes y = \min(x, y)$).

The buyer's request, but in a "different" terminology:

$$query(x) \leftarrow_{\otimes} SportsCar(x) \land_{\otimes} hasPrice(x, y_1) \land_{\otimes} hasPower(x, y_2) \land_{\otimes} DL[LeqAbout22000](y_1) \land_{\otimes} DL[Around150HP](y_2) \geq 1$$

Ontology alignment mapping rules:

$$\begin{split} &SportsCar(x) \leftarrow_{\otimes} DL[SportyCar](x) \wedge_{\otimes} sc_{pos} \geq 0.9 \\ &hasPrice(x) \leftarrow_{\otimes} DL[hasInvoice](x) \wedge_{\otimes} hi_{pos} \geq 0.8 \\ &hasPower(x) \leftarrow_{\otimes} DL[hasHorsePower](x) \wedge_{\otimes} hhp_{pos} \geq 0.8 \,, \end{split}$$

Probability distribution μ :

$$\mu(\textit{sc}_{\textit{pos}}) = 0.91 \qquad \mu(\textit{sc}_{\textit{neg}}) = 0.09 \\ \mu(\textit{hi}_{\textit{pos}}) = 0.78 \qquad \mu(\textit{hi}_{\textit{neg}}) = 0.22 \\ \mu(\textit{hhp}_{\textit{pos}}) = 0.83 \qquad \mu(\textit{hhp}_{\textit{neg}}) = 0.17 \; .$$

The following are some tight consequences:

$$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textit{KB} & \Vdash_{\textit{tight}} & (\textbf{E}[\textit{query}((\textit{MazdaMX5Miata})])[0.21, 0.21] \\ \textit{KB} & \Vdash_{\textit{tight}} & (\textbf{E}[\textit{query}((\textit{MitsubishiEclipseSpyder})])[0.19, 0.19] \,. \end{tabular}$$

Informally, the expected degree to which MazdaMX5Miata matches the query q is 0.21, while the expected degree to which MitsubishiEclipseSpyder matches the query q is 0.19,

Thus, the shopping agent ranks the retrieved items as follows:

rank	item	degree
1.	MazdaMX5Miata	0.21
2.	MitsubishiEclipseSpyder	0.19