

Decisió: agregació i consens

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Índex

- Presa de decisions
 - Presa de decisions multicriteri
- Funcions d'agregació: una introducció
- Agregació de funcions d'utilitat (numèriques)
 - De la mitjana ponderada a les integrals difuses
 - Models jeràrquics
- Agregació de relacions de preferència
- Resum de temes relacionats

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- Presa de decisions
 - Triar entre diverses alternatives
- Un exemple: (un exemple clàssic)
 - Volem comprar un cotxe i hi ha diversos models
 - Alternatives: $\{Peugeot308, FordT., \dots\}$
- Altres exemples: el problema del prisoner, escollir un moviment en els jocs, etc.

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 - Característiques del problema
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 - Incertesa i risc
 - Adversari

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 - No es possible trobar una alternativa que satisfagi tots els criteris
 - Un cotxe barat, assequible però potser no tan confortable
 - Preu vs. seguretat i confort

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- Marc general en la presa de decisions
 - Dificultat: **Incertesa i risc**
 - Coneixem o no l'efecte de la nostra acció
 - Quan escollim un cotxe sabem el seu preu i la capacitat del portaequipatges
 - Quan comprem un bitllet de loteria, no sabem si guanyarem
 - Quan el metge proposa un tractament, no està segur del seu efecte

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 - La nostra decisió cal confrontar-se amb la dels oponents
 - Jocs amb adversari:
darrera el nostre moviment hi ha el de l'adversari

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 - Cas del metge
 - * No únicament probabilitats, també informació vaga o imprecisa
 - Una mica de febre: al voltant de 38?

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 - **MCDA**: Eines per capturar, entendre, analitzar les diferències (punt de vista constructivista)
 - **MCDM**: Eines per a descriure el procés de decisió. Se suposa que es pot formalitzar.
(punt de vista descriptiu)

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 - * Multicriteria Decision Aid (MCDA):
finit / punt de vista descriptiu / modelització
 - * Multicriteria Decision Making (MCDM):
finit / punt de vista constructivista
 - * Multiobjective Decision Making (MODM):
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 - Vapor màxim (producció)? Benefici màxim?
 - Hem de tenir en compte les restriccions
 - Cada carbó té els seus inconvenients (emissions diferents)
 - No poden generar-se massa emissions (excés)
 - * Formulació/resolució mitjançant **optimització** (e.g., Simplex)

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- Exemple. Multicriteria decision making:
nombre finit d'alternatives
 - Volem comprar un cotxe
 - Alternatives: $\{Peugeot308, FordT., \dots\}$
 - Punts de vista/criteris: Preu, qualitat, confort
 - representem les nostres preferències sobre les alternatives

Introducción

- Marc general de la presa de decisions: **classificació (III)**
 - Presa de decisions amb adversari
 - Jocs estàtics: els jugadors actuen a la vegada
Teoria de jocs (game theory), jocs no cooperatius, jocs cooperatius
 - Jocs dinàmics: els jugadors actuen sequencialment
Algorismes de jocs (minimax, poda α - β – I.A.)

MCDM:

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- Representation of preferences
 - Utility functions.
 - Ford T: $U_{precio} = 0.2$, $U_{calidad} = 0.8$, $U_{confort} = 0.3$
 - Peugeot308: $U_{precio} = 0.7$, $U_{calidad} = 0.7$, $U_{confort} = 0.8$
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 - Formalization: Reference set X
Properties (for all x, y, z)
 - * Binary relation: I.e., a subset $R \subseteq X \times X$
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 - Definition: (in decision making)
A relation is a rational preference relation if it is total, transitive and reflexive.
 - in mathematics: a total preorder

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 - Theorem. Given a set of alternatives, there exist a utility function that represents the preference relation if and only if the preference relation is rational.

- Preference representation: Utility functions
 - Example: definition for price
 - Maximum budget 10000 euros.
 - Less than 1000 is perfect
 - Lineal function between 1000 and 10000

$$u_p(x) = \begin{cases} 100 & \text{if } x \leq 1000 \\ (10000 - x)/90 & \text{if } x \in (1000, 10000) \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq 10000 \end{cases}$$

- Preference representation: Utility functions
 - Example: definition for trunk capacity
Not always is a monotonic relationship of utility with respect to the values of a criterion
 - The trunk is optimal for $1\ m^3$.
 - Neither too small, nor too large

$$u_m(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0.8 \\ 100 - 500|x - 1| & \text{if } x \in (0.8, 1.2) \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq 1.2 \end{cases}$$

- Decision
 - Modeling the problem: representation of the criteria
 - Aggregation
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- Outline
 - Introduction
 - Aggregation for (numerical) utility functions: basics
 - A tour on (numerical) aggregation: from WM to Fuzzy integrals
 - Aggregation for preference relations

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- Different functions, lead to different results
 - In our case, different orderings, different selections!

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- Goal of aggregation functions (in general, not restricted to MCDM):
 - To produce a specific datum, and exhaustive, on an entity
 - Datum produced from information supplied by different information sources (or the same source over time)
 - Techniques to reduce noise, increase precision, summarize information, extract information, make decisions, etc.

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 - Study of existing methods:
 - Characterization of functions
 - Determination of the modeling capabilities of the functions
 - Relation between operators and parameters
 - (how parameters influence the result: can we achieve dictatorship?, sensitivity to data → index).

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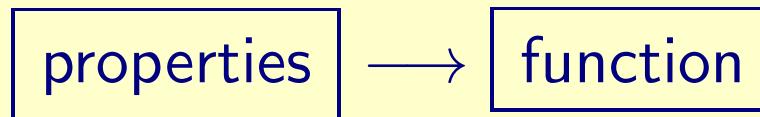
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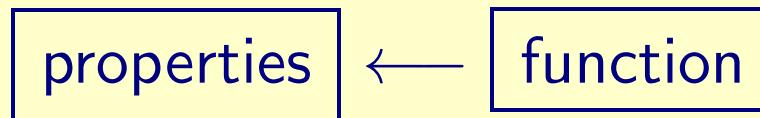
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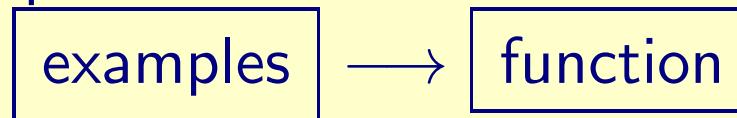
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- Heuristic definition

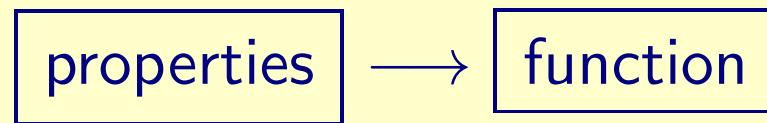


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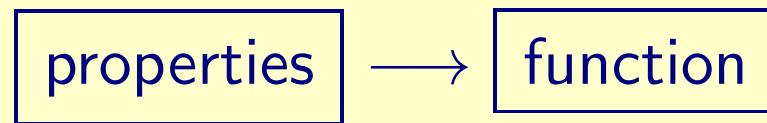
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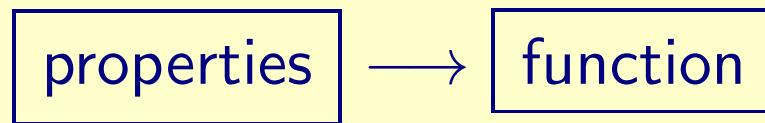
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 - b) Aggregation of $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N \in D$, as the datum c which is at a minimum distance from a_i :

$$\mathbb{C}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N) = \arg \min_c \left\{ \sum_{a_i} d(c, a_i) \right\},$$

d is a distance over D .

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 - $\phi(x) = \alpha x$ for an arbitrary value for α

Aggregation functions

- Example (case (a)): Functional equations
 - distribute s euros among m projects according to the opinion of N experts

	Proj 1	Proj 2	...	Proj j	...	Proj m
E_1	x_1^1	x_2^1	...	x_j^1	...	x_m^1
E_2	x_1^2	x_2^2	...	x_j^2	...	x_m^2
	\vdots	\vdots		\vdots		\vdots
E_i	x_1^i	x_2^i	...	x_j^i	...	x_m^i
	\vdots	\vdots		\vdots		\vdots
E_N	x_1^N	x_2^N	...	x_j^N	...	x_m^N
DM	$f_1(\mathbf{x}_1)$	$f_2(\mathbf{x}_2)$...	$f_j(\mathbf{x}_j)$...	$f_m(\mathbf{x}_m)$

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$$f_1(\mathbf{x}) = f_2(\mathbf{x}) = \dots = f_m(\mathbf{x}) = f((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i x_i, \quad (4)$$

where $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N$ are nonnegative constants satisfying $\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i = 1$, but are otherwise arbitrary.

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- Example (case (b)): Consider the following expression

$$\mathbb{C}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N) = \arg \min_c \left\{ \sum_{a_i} d(c, a_i) \right\},$$

where a_i are numbers from \mathbb{R} and d is a distance on D . Then,

Aggregation functions

- Example (case (b)): Consider the following expression

$$\mathbb{C}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N) = \arg \min_c \left\{ \sum_{a_i} d(c, a_i) \right\},$$

where a_i are numbers from \mathbb{R} and d is a distance on D . Then,

1. When $d(a, b) = (a - b)^2$, \mathbb{C} is the arithmetic mean
I.e., $\mathbb{C}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i / N$.
2. When $d(a, b) = |a - b|$, \mathbb{C} is the median
I.e., the median of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N is the element which occupies the central position when we order a_i .
3. When $d(a, b) = 1$ iff $a = b$, \mathbb{C} is the plurality rule (mode or voting).
I.e., $\mathbb{C}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N)$ selects the element of \mathbb{R} with a largest frequency among elements in (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N) .

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- Decision for utility functions

Modelling, aggregation = \mathbb{C} , selection

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Ford T	0	20	0	20	0	8
Seat 600	60	0	100	0	50	42
Simca 1000	100	30	100	50	70	70
VW	80	50	30	70	100	66
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- **Pareto dominance:** Given two vectors $a = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ and $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$, we say that b dominates a when $a_i \leq b_i$ for all i and there is at least one k such that $a_k < b_k$.

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- Each one wins at least in one criteria to another one

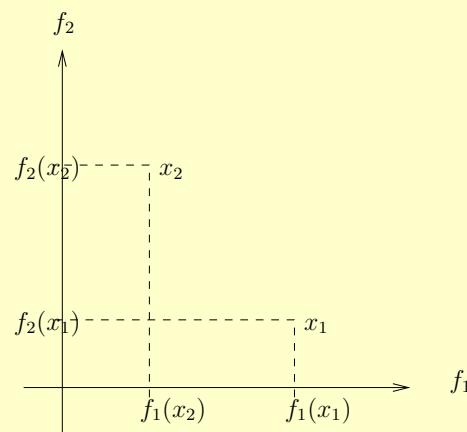
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Given a set of alternatives U represented by vectors $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$, the Pareto frontier is the set $u \in U$ such that there is no other $v \in U$ such that v dominates u .

$$PF = \{u \mid \text{there is no } v \text{ s.t. } v \text{ dominates } u\}$$

- Pareto optimal: an element u of the Pareto set



Aggregation for (numerical) utility functions

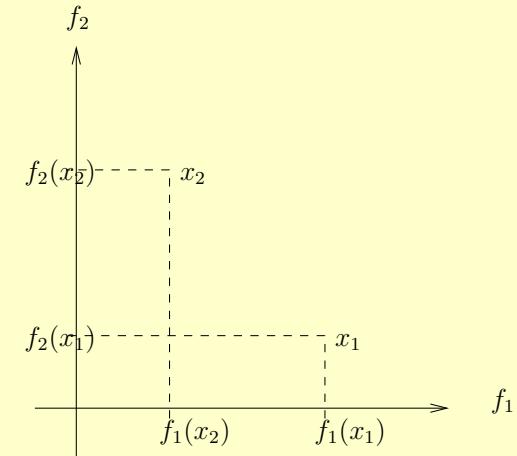
- MCDM: we aggregate utility, and order according to utility
- The function of aggregation functions
 - Different aggregations lead to different orders
 - Aggregation establishes which **points** are *equivalent*
 - Different aggregations, establish different curves of points (level curves)

Criteria Satisfaction on:			
alt	Price	Quality	Comfort
FordT	0.2	0.8	0.3
206	0.7	0.7	0.8
...

→ → →

alt	Consensus
FordT	0.35
206	0.72
...	...

alt	Ranking
206	0.72
FordT	0.35
...	...



Aggregation for (numerical) utility functions

- Why alternatives to the arithmetic mean?
 - Not all criteria are equally important (security and comfort)
 - There are mandatory requirements (price below a threshold)
 - Compensation among criteria
 - Interactions among criteria

Aggregation: from the weighted mean to fuzzy integrals

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An example

Aggregation: example

Example. A and B teaching a tutorial+training course w/ constraints

- The total number of sessions is six.
- Professor A will give the tutorial, which should consist of about three sessions; three is the optimal number of sessions; a difference in the number of sessions greater than two is unacceptable.
- Professor B will give the training part, consisting of about two sessions.
- Both professors should give more or less the same number of sessions. A difference of one or two is half acceptable; a difference of three is unacceptable.

Aggregation: example

Example. Formalization

- Variables
 - x_A : Number of sessions taught by Professor A
 - x_B : Number of sessions taught by Professor B
- Constraints
 - the constraints are translated into
 - * C_1 : $x_A + x_B$ should be about 6
 - * C_2 : x_A should be about 3
 - * C_3 : x_B should be about 2
 - * C_4 : $|x_A - x_B|$ should be about 0
 - using fuzzy sets, the constraints are described ...

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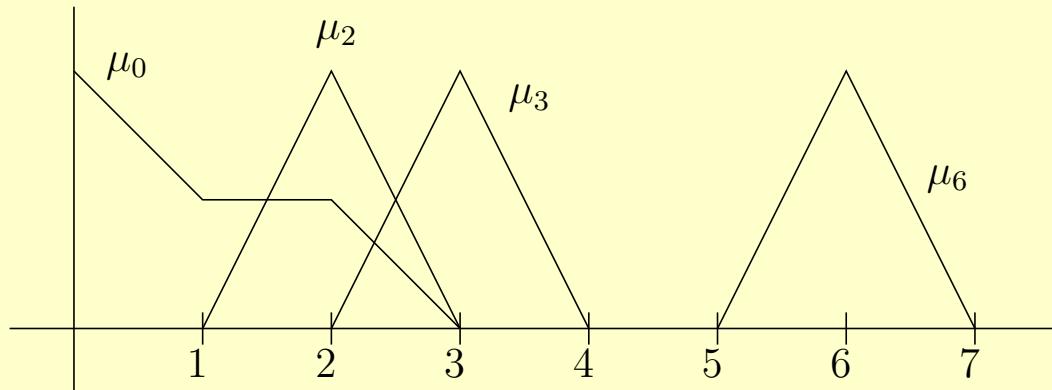
Example. Formalization

- Constraints
 - if fuzzy set μ_6 expresses “about 6,” then,
we evaluate “ $x_A + x_B$ should be about 6” by $\mu_6(x_A + x_B)$.
 \rightarrow given $\mu_6, \mu_3, \mu_2, \mu_0$,
 - Then, given a solution pair (x_A, x_B) , the degrees of satisfaction:
 - * $\mu_6(x_A + x_B)$
 - * $\mu_3(x_A)$
 - * $\mu_2(x_B)$
 - * $\mu_0(|x_A - x_B|)$

Aggregation: example

Example. Formalization

- Membership functions for constraints



Aggregation: example

Example. Application

alternative	Satisfaction degrees	Satisfaction degrees			
		C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4
(x_A, x_B)	$(\mu_6(x_A + x_B), \mu_3(x_A), \mu_2(x_B), \mu_0(x_A - x_B))$				
(2, 2)	$(\mu_6(4), \mu_3(2), \mu_2(2), \mu_0(0))$	0	0.5	1	1
(2, 3)	$(\mu_6(5), \mu_3(2), \mu_2(3), \mu_0(1))$	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
(2, 4)	$(\mu_6(6), \mu_3(2), \mu_2(4), \mu_0(2))$	1	0.5	0	0.5
(3.5, 2.5)	$(\mu_6(6), \mu_3(3.5), \mu_2(2.5), \mu_0(1))$	1	0.5	0.5	0.5
(3, 2)	$(\mu_6(5), \mu_3(3), \mu_2(2), \mu_0(1))$	0.5	1	1	0.5
(3, 3)	$(\mu_6(6), \mu_3(3), \mu_2(3), \mu_0(0))$	1	1	0.5	1

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WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

- Operators

- Weighting vector (dimension N): $v = (v_1 \dots v_N)$ iff $v_i \in [0, 1]$ and $\sum_i v_i = 1$
- Arithmetic mean (AM: $\mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$): $AM(a_1, \dots, a_N) = (1/N) \sum_{i=1}^N a_i$
- Weighted mean (WM: $\mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$): $WM_p(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i a_i$ (p a weighting vector of dimension N)
- Ordered Weighting Averaging operator (OWA: $\mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$):

$$OWA_w(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i a_{\sigma(i)},$$

where $\{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(N)\}$ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, N\}$ s. t. $a_{\sigma(i-1)} \geq a_{\sigma(i)}$, and w a weighting vector.

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

Example. Application

- Let us consider the following situation:
 - Professor A is more important than Professor B
 - The number of sessions equal to six is the most important constraint (not a *crisp* requirement)
 - The difference in the number of sessions taught by the two professors is the least important constraint

WM with $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = (0.5, 0.3, 0.15, 0.05)$.

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- WM with $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = (0.5, 0.3, 0.15, 0.05)$.

alternative	Aggregation of the Satisfaction degrees	WM
(x_A, x_B)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4)$	
(2, 2)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(0, 0.5, 1, 1)$	0.35
(2, 3)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.5
(2, 4)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(1, 0.5, 0, 0.5)$	0.675
(3.5, 2.5)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(1, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.75
(3, 2)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(0.5, 1, 1, 0.5)$	0.725
(3, 3)	$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(1, 1, 0.5, 1)$	0.925

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Example. Application

- Compensation: how many values can have a bad evaluation
- One bad value does not matter: **OWA** with $w = (1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 0)$ (lowest value discarded)

alternative	Aggregation of the Satisfaction degrees	OWA
(x_A, x_B)	$OWA_w(C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4)$	
(2, 2)	$OWA_w(0, 0.5, 1, 1)$	0.8333
(2, 3)	$OWA_w(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.5
(2, 4)	$OWA_w(1, 0.5, 0, 0.5)$	0.6666
(3.5, 2.5)	$OWA_w(1, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.6666
(3, 2)	$OWA_w(0.5, 1, 1, 0.5)$	0.8333
(3, 3)	$OWA_w(1, 1, 0.5, 1)$	1.0

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

- Weighted Ordered Weighted Averaging WOWA operator
(WOWA : $\mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$):

$$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i a_{\sigma(i)}$$

where

$$\omega_i = w^*(\sum_{j \leq i} p_{\sigma(j)}) - w^*(\sum_{j < i} p_{\sigma(j)}),$$

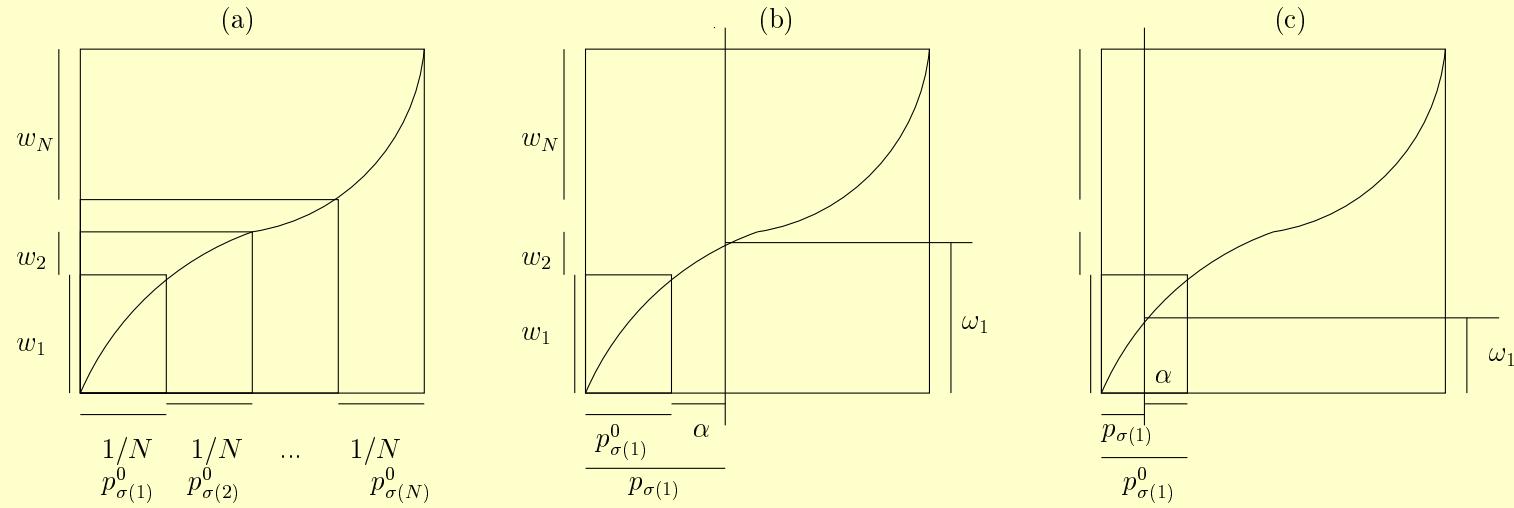
with σ a permutation of $\{1, \dots, N\}$ s. t. $a_{\sigma(i-1)} \geq a_{\sigma(i)}$, and w^* a nondecreasing function that interpolates the points

$$\{(i/N, \sum_{j \leq i} w_j)\}_{i=1, \dots, N} \cup \{(0, 0)\}.$$

w^* is required to be a straight line when the points can be interpolated in this way.

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

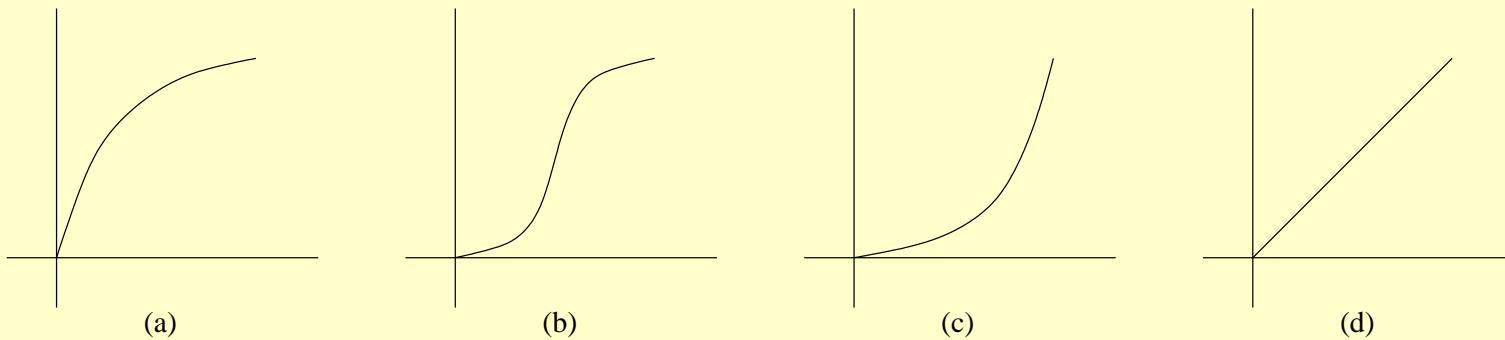
- Construction of the w^* quantifier



- Rationale for new weights (ω_i , for each value a_i) in terms of \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{w} .
 - If a_i is small, and small values have more importance than larger ones, increase p_i for a_i (i.e., $\omega_i \geq p_{\sigma(i)}$).
(the same holds if the value a_i is large and importance is given to large values)
 - If a_i is small, and importance is for large values, $\omega_i < p_{\sigma(i)}$
(the same holds if a_i is large and importance is given to small values).

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

- The shape of the function w^* gives importance
 - (a) to large values
 - (b) to medium values
 - (c) to small values
 - (d) equal importance to all values



Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

Example. Application

- Importance for constraints as given above: $\mathbf{p} = (0.5, 0.3, 0.15, 0.05)$
- Compensation as given above: $\mathbf{w} = (1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 0)$ (lowest value discarded)
→ WOWA with \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{w} .

alternative	Aggregation of the Satisfaction degrees	WOWA
(x_A, x_B)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4)$	
(2, 2)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(0, 0.5, 1, 1)$	0.4666
(2, 3)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.5
(2, 4)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(1, 0.5, 0, 0.5)$	0.8333
(3.5, 2.5)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(1, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$	0.8333
(3, 2)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(0.5, 1, 1, 0.5)$	0.8
(3, 3)	$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(1, 1, 0.5, 1)$	1.0

Aggregation: WM, OWA, and WOWA operators

- Properties
 - The WOWA operator generalizes the WM and the OWA operator.
 - When $\mathbf{p} = (1/N \dots 1/N)$, OWA

$$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = OWA_{\mathbf{w}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) \text{ for all } \mathbf{w} \text{ and } a_i.$$

- When $\mathbf{w} = (1/N \dots 1/N)$, WM

$$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = WM_{\mathbf{p}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) \text{ for all } \mathbf{p} \text{ and } a_i.$$

- When $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{p} = (1/N \dots 1/N)$, AM

$$WOWA_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = AM(a_1, \dots, a_N)$$

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Choquet integral

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Formally

- $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ is the set of information sources
- $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ the values supplied by the sources
→ then $a_i = f(x_i)$

Thus,

$$WM_{\mathbf{p}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i a_i = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i f(x_i) = WM_{\mathbf{p}}(f(x_1), \dots, f(x_N))$$

Choquet integrals

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... fuzzy measures $\mu(A)$

Formally,

- Fuzzy measure ($\mu : \wp(X) \rightarrow [0, 1]$), a set function satisfying
 - (i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$, $\mu(X) = 1$ (boundary conditions)
 - (ii) $A \subseteq B$ implies $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ (monotonicity)

Choquet integrals

- Now, we have a fuzzy measure $\mu(A)$
then, how aggregation proceeds?
⇒ **fuzzy integrals** as the Choquet integral

Choquet integrals

- Choquet integral of f w.r.t. μ (alternative notation, $CI_\mu(a_1, \dots, a_N)/CI_\mu(f)$)

$$(C) \int f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N [f(x_{s(i)}) - f(x_{s(i-1)})] \mu(A_{s(i)}),$$

where s in $f(x_{s(i)})$ is a permutation so that $f(x_{s(i-1)}) \leq f(x_{s(i)})$ for $i \geq 1$, $f(x_{s(0)}) = 0$, and $A_{s(k)} = \{x_{s(j)} | j \geq k\}$ and $A_{s(N+1)} = \emptyset$.

- Alternative expressions (Proposition 6.18):

$$(C) \int f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_{\sigma(i)}) [\mu(A_{\sigma(i)}) - \mu(A_{\sigma(i-1)})],$$

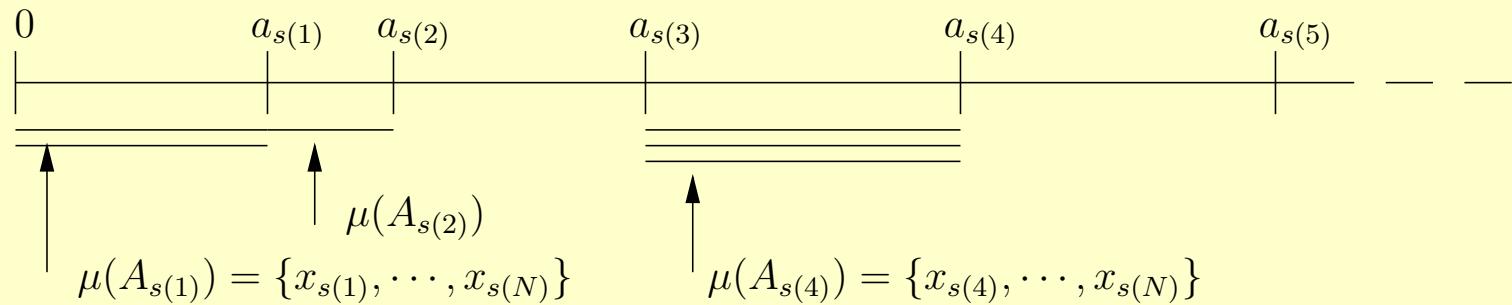
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where σ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, N\}$ s.t. $f(x_{\sigma(i-1)}) \geq f(x_{\sigma(i)})$, where $A_{\sigma(k)} = \{x_{\sigma(j)} | j \leq k\}$ for $k \geq 1$ and $A_{\sigma(0)} = \emptyset$

Choquet integrals

- Different equations point out different aspects of the CI

$$(6.1) \quad (C) \int f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N [f(x_{s(i)}) - f(x_{s(i-1)})] \mu(A_{s(i)}),$$



$$(6.2) \quad (C) \int f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_{\sigma(i)}) [\mu(A_{\sigma(i)}) - \mu(A_{\sigma(i-1)})],$$

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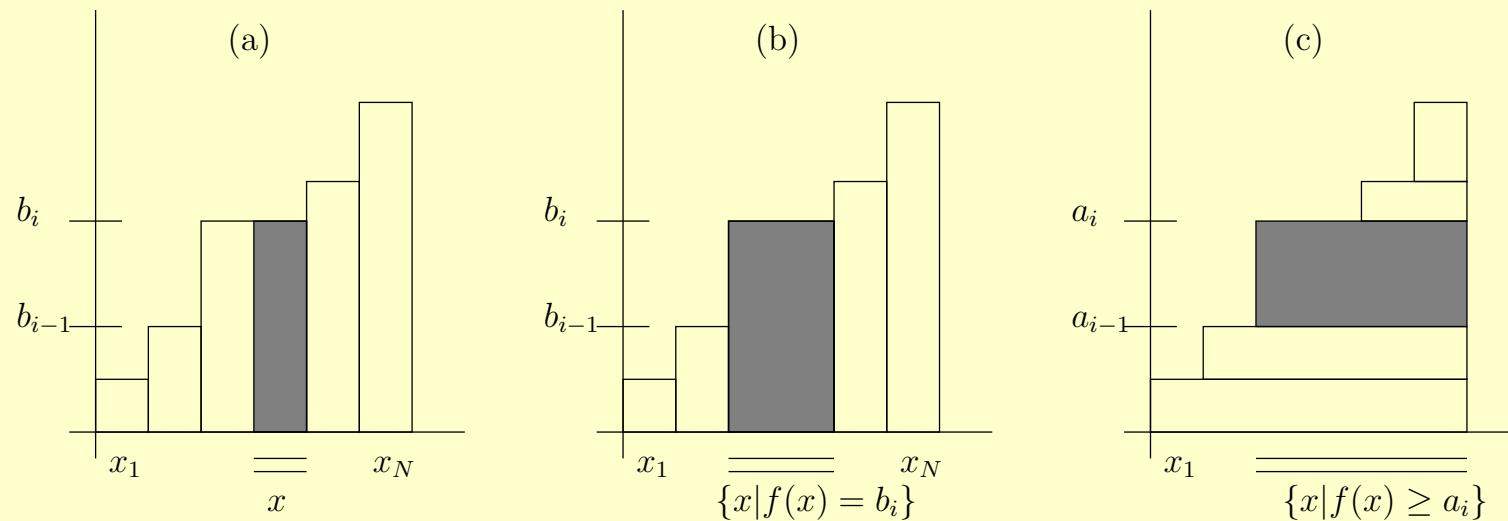
- $\int f d\mu =$ (for additive measures)

$$(6.5) \sum_{x \in X} f(x)\mu(\{x\})$$

$$(6.6) \sum_{i=1}^R b_i\mu(\{x|f(x) = b_i\})$$

$$(6.7) \sum_{i=1}^N (a_i - a_{i-1})\mu(\{x|f(x) \geq a_i\})$$

$$(6.8) \sum_{i=1}^N (a_i - a_{i-1})(1 - \mu(\{x|f(x) \leq a_{i-1}\}))$$

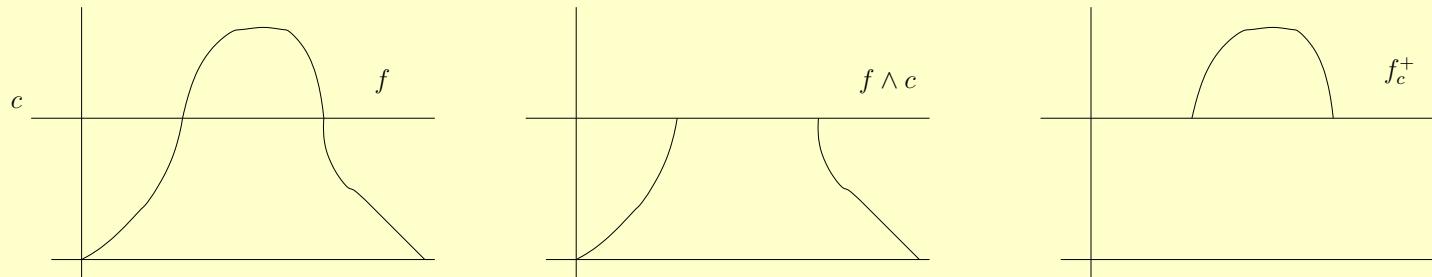


- Among (6.5), (6.6) and (6.7), only (6.7) satisfies internality.

Choquet integrals

- Properties of CI
 - Horizontal additive because $CI_\mu(f) = CI_\mu(f \wedge c) + CI_\mu(f_c^+)$
($f = (f \wedge c) + f_c^+$ is a horizontal additive decomposition of f)
where, f_c^+ is defined by (for $c \in [0, 1]$)

$$f_c^+ = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(x) \leq c \\ f(x) - c & \text{if } f(x) > c. \end{cases}$$



Choquet integrals

- Definitions (X a reference set, f, g functions $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$)
 - $f < g$ when, for all x_i ,
$$f(x_i) < g(x_i)$$
 - f and g are comonotonic if, for all $x_i, x_j \in X$,
$$f(x_i) < f(x_j) \text{ imply that } g(x_i) \leq g(x_j)$$
 - \mathbb{C} is comonotonic monotone if and only if, for comonotonic f and g ,
$$f \leq g \text{ imply that } \mathbb{C}(f) \leq \mathbb{C}(g)$$
 - \mathbb{C} is comonotonic additive if and only if, for comonotonic f and g ,
$$\mathbb{C}(f + g) = \mathbb{C}(f) + \mathbb{C}(g)$$
- Characterization. Let \mathbb{C} satisfy the following properties
 - \mathbb{C} is comonotonic monotone
 - \mathbb{C} is comonotonic additive
 - $\mathbb{C}(1, \dots, 1) = 1$

Then, there exists μ s.t. $\mathbb{C}(f)$ is the CI of f w.r.t. μ .

Choquet integrals

- Properties
 - WM, OWA and WOWA are particular cases of CI.
 - * WM with weighting vector \mathbf{p} is a CI w.r.t. $\mu_{\mathbf{p}}(B) = \sum_{x_i \in B} p_i$
 - * OWA with weighting vector \mathbf{w} is a CI w.r.t. $\mu_{\mathbf{w}}(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{|B|} w_i$
 - * WOWA with w.v. \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{w} is a CI w.r.t. $\mu_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{w}}(B) = w^*(\sum_{x_i \in B} p_i)$
 - Any symmetric CI is an OWA operator.
 - Any CI with a distorted probability is a WOWA operator.
 - Let A be a crisp subset of X ; then, the Choquet integral of A with respect to μ is $\mu(A)$.

Here, the integral of A corresponds to the integral of its characteristic function, or, in other words, to the integral of the function f_A defined as $f_A(x) = 1$ if and only if $x \in A$.

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Weighted minimum and maximum

Weighted Minimum and Weighted Maximum

- Possibilistic weighting vector (dimension N): $\mathbf{v} = (v_1 \dots v_N)$ iff $v_i \in [0, 1]$ and $\max_i v_i = 1$.
- Weighted minimum (WMin: $[0, 1]^N \rightarrow [0, 1]$):
 $WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \min_i \max(neg(u_i), a_i)$
(alternative definition can be given with $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_N)$ where $v_i = neg(u_i)$)
- Weighted maximum (WMax: $[0, 1]^N \rightarrow [0, 1]$):
 $WMax_{\mathbf{u}}(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \max_i \min(u_i, a_i)$

Weighted Minimum and Weighted Maximum

- **Exemple 6.34.** Evaluation of the alternatives related to the course
 - Weighting vector (possibilistic vector): $\mathbf{u} = (1, 0.5, 0.3, 0.1)$.
 - WMin:
 - * $sat(2, 2) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(0, 0.5, 1, 1) = 0$
 - * $sat(2, 3) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5) = 0.5$
 - * $sat(2, 4) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 0.5, 0, 0.5) = 0.5$
 - * $sat(3.5, 2.5) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5) = 0.5$
 - * $sat(3, 2) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(0.5, 1, 1, 0.5) = 0.5$
 - * $sat(3, 3) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 1, 0.5, 1) = 0.7$.
 - WMax: (with $neg(\mathbf{u}) = (0, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9)$, using $neg(x) = 1 - x$)
 - * $sat(2, 2) = WMax_{\mathbf{u}}(0, 0.5, 1, 1) = 0.5$
 - * $sat(2, 3) = WMax_{\mathbf{u}}(0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5) = 0.5$
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 - * $sat(3, 3) = WMax_{\mathbf{u}}(1, 1, 0.5, 1) = 1$.
 - weighted minimum, the best pair is (3, 3); with weighted maximum (3, 3), (2, 4) and (3, 5, 2, 5) indistinguishable

Weighted Minimum and Weighted Maximum

- **Exemple 6.35.** Fuzzy inference system

$$R_i: \text{IF } x \text{ is } A_i \text{ THEN } y \text{ is } B_i.$$

- with disjunctive rules, the (fuzzy) output for a particular y_0 is a WMax

$$\tilde{B}(y_0) = \vee_{i=1}^N (B_i(y_0) \wedge A_i(x_0)).$$

- with conjunctive rules, and Kleene-Dienes implication ($\mathcal{I}(x, y) = \max(1 - x, y)$)
the (fuzzy) output of the system for a particular y_0 is a WMin

$$\tilde{B}(y_0) = \wedge_{i=1}^N (\mathcal{I}(A_i(x_0), B_i(y_0))) = \wedge_{i=1}^N \max(1 - A_i(x_0), B_i(y_0)).$$

that with $\mathbf{u} = (A_1(x_0), \dots, A_N(x_0))$

$$\tilde{B}(y_0) = WMin_{\mathbf{u}}(B_1(y_0), \dots, B_N(y_0)).$$

Weighted Minimum and Weighted Maximum

- Only operators in ordinal scales (\max , \min , neg) are used in $WMax$ and $WMin$.
- neg is completely determined in an ordinal scale

Proposition 6.36. Let $L = \{l_0, \dots, l_r\}$ with $l_0 <_L l_1 <_L \dots <_L l_r$; then, there exists only one function, $\text{neg} : L \rightarrow L$, satisfying

- (N1) if $x <_L x'$ then $\text{neg}(x) >_L \text{neg}(x')$ for all x, x' in L .
- (N2) $\text{neg}(\text{neg}(x)) = x$ for all x in L .

This function is defined by $\text{neg}(x_i) = x_{r-i}$ for all x_i in L

- Properties. For $\mathbf{u} = (1, \dots, 1)$
 - $WMIN_{\mathbf{u}} = \min$
 - $WMAX_{\mathbf{u}} = \max$

Aggregation:

from the weighted mean to fuzzy integrals

Sugeno integral

Sugeno integral

- Sugeno integral of f w.r.t. μ (alternative notation, $SI_\mu(a_1, \dots, a_N)/SI_\mu(f)$)

$$(S) \int f d\mu = \max_{i=1,N} \min(f(x_{s(i)}), \mu(A_{s(i)})),$$

where s in $f(x_{s(i)})$ is a permutation so that $f(x_{s(i-1)}) \leq f(x_{s(i)})$ for $i \geq 2$, and $A_{s(k)} = \{x_{s(j)} | j \geq k\}$.

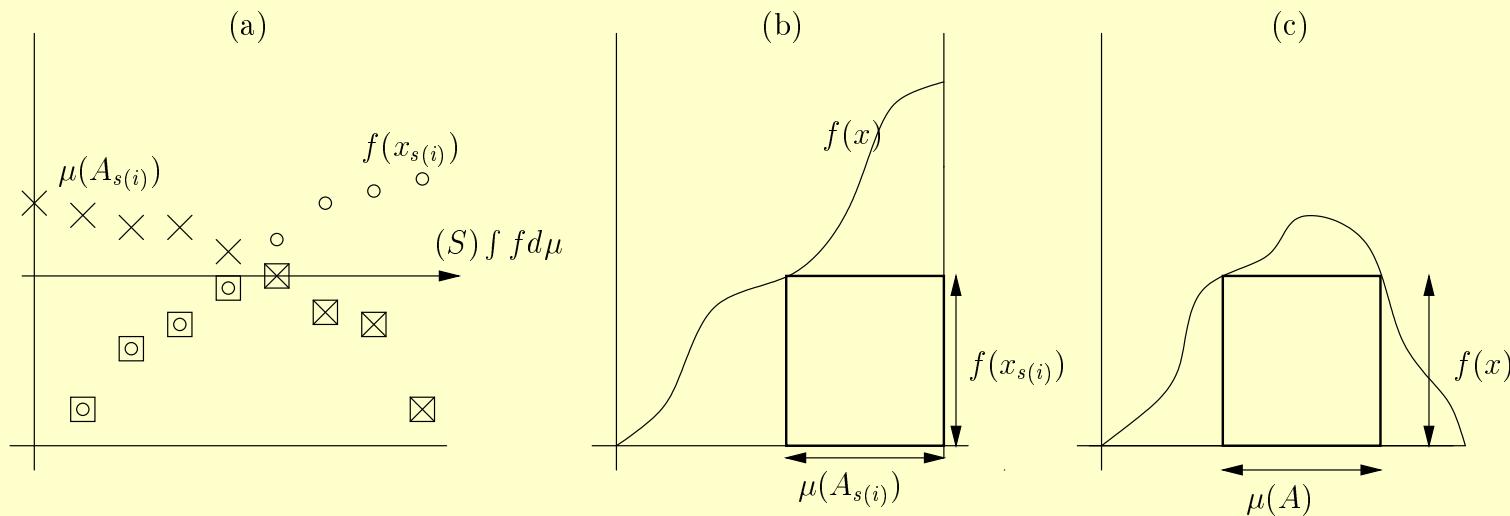
- Alternative expression (Proposition 6.38):

$$\max_i \min(f(x_{\sigma(i)}), \mu(A_{\sigma(i)})),$$

where σ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, N\}$ s.t. $f(x_{\sigma(i-1)}) \geq f(x_{\sigma(i)})$,
where $A_{\sigma(k)} = \{x_{\sigma(j)} | j \leq k\}$ for $k \geq 1$

Sugeno integral

- Graphical interpretation of Sugeno integrals



Sugeno integral

- Properties
 - WMin and WMax are particular cases of SI
 - * WMax with weighting vector \mathbf{u} is a SI w.r.t.
$$\mu_{\mathbf{u}}^{wmax}(A) = \max_{a_i \in A} u_i.$$
 - * WMin with weighting vector \mathbf{u} is a SI w.r.t.
$$\mu_{\mathbf{u}}^{wmin}(A) = 1 - \max_{a_i \notin A} u_i.$$

Sugeno integral

Example. Citation indices

- Number of citations: CI
- h -index: SI

In both cases,

- X the set of papers
- $f(x)$ the number of citations of paper x
- $\mu(A) \subseteq X$ the cardinality of the set

Fuzzy integrals

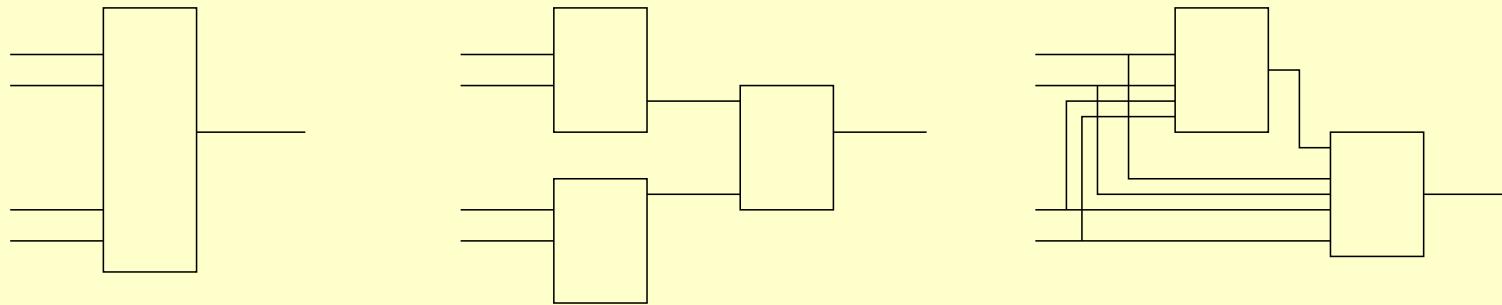
- Fuzzy integrals that generalize Choquet and Sugeno integrals
 - The fuzzy t-conorm integral
 - The twofold integral

Aggregation:

Hierarchical models

Hierarchical Models for Aggregation

- Hierarchical model



- Properties. The following conditions hold

- (i) Every multistep Choquet integral is a monotone increasing, positively homogeneous, piecewise linear function.
- (ii) Every monotone increasing, positively homogeneous, piecewise linear function on a full-dimensional convex set in \mathbb{R}^N is representable as a two-step Choquet integral such that the fuzzy measures of the first step are additive and the fuzzy measure of the second step is a 0-1 fuzzy measure.

Aggregation for preference relations

(MCDM: social choice)

Aggregation for preference relations

- MCDM (decision) and social choice
⇒ are two related areas

Aggregation for preference relations

- Social choice
 - studies voting rules, and how the preferences of a set of people can be aggregated to obtain the preference of the set.
- There is no formal difference between aggregation of opinions from people and aggregation of criteria

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 - Problems (I): consider
 - * $R^1 : x > y > z$
 - * $R^4 : y > z > x$
 - * $R^5 : z > x > y$
 - simple majority rule: $u > v$ if most prefer u to v
 - * $x > y, y > z, z > x$ (intransitive!!: $x > y, y > z$ but not $x > z$)
 - Problems (II):
 - Arrow impossibility theorem

Aggregation for preference relations

- Given preference relations, how aggregation is built?
- Axioms of Arrow impossibility theorem

C0 Finite number of voters and more than one

Number of alternatives more or equal to three

C1 Universality: Voters can select any total preorder

C2 Transitivity: The result is a total preorder

C3 Unanimity: If all agree on x better than y , then x better than y in the social preference

C4 Independence of irrelevant alternatives: the social preference of x and y only depends on the preferences on x and y

C5 No-dictatorship: No voter can be a dictatorship

- There is no function F that satisfies all C0-C5 axioms

Aggregation for preference relations

- Given preference relations, how aggregation is built?
- Circumventing Arrow's theorem
 - Ignore the condition of universality
 - Ignore the condition of independence of irrelevant alternatives

Aggregation for preference relations

- Given preference relations, how aggregation is built?
 - Solutions failing the universality condition
 - * Simple peak, odd number of voters,
Condorcet rule satisfies all other conditions

Aggregation for preference relations

- Given preference relations, how aggregation is built?
 - Solutions failing the condition of independence of irrelevant alternatives
 - * Condorcet rule with Copeland⁶:
 - * Borda count⁷

⁶Defined by Ramon Llull s. XIII

⁷Defined by Nicolas de Cusa s. XV.

Related topics

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- Aggregation functions
 - Functional equations (synthesis of judgements)
 - Fuzzy measures
 - Indices and evaluation methods
 - Model selection
- Decision making
 - Game theory (for decision making with adversary)
 - Decision under risk and uncertainty
 - Voting systems (social choice, aggregation of preferences)

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Thank you