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On some extensions and applications of non-additive measures

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- 4. Distorted Probabilities
- 5. m-dimensional Distorted Probabilities
- 6. Distorted Probabilities and Multisets
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Introduction

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Finite case: $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ for disjoint A, B

Non-additive measures: (X, \mathcal{A}) a measurable space, a non-additive (fuzzy) measure μ on (X, \mathcal{A}) is a set function $\mu : \mathcal{A} \to [0, 1]$ satisfying the following axioms:

(i) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$, $\mu(X) = 1$ (boundary conditions) (ii) $A \subseteq B$ implies $\mu(A) \le \mu(B)$ (monotonicity)

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Subjective Evaluation:

Subjective evaluation and application field for non-additive (fuzzy) measures from the beginning. (Sugeno, 1974, p.2):

"The purposes of this dissertation are to propose the concept of fuzzy measures and integrals [11,12] as a way for expressing human subjectivity and to discuss their applications."

Outline

Definition of Subjective Evaluation: (Dubois and Prade, 1997)

"Formally speaking, the subjective evaluation problem can be viewed as the synthesis, the identification of a function which maps the attribute values describing the situation to evaluate into a discrete domain (classification), or a continuous one (absolute evaluation). More generally, we may look for the degree of membership of the situation to a category, or have a function yielding a fuzzy evaluation. This function is in general not available as such, but is implicitly, and partially, described in terms of criteria, or by means of expert rules, or through some fuzzy algorithm. It may also happen that the function is only partially known by exemplification through prototypical examples of situations for which the evaluation is available."

Example: (Grabish, 1995) Evaluation of students

- students (A, B, C) on three subjects (M, P, L)
 Ada, Byron, Countess; maths, physics, literature
- Marks:

Student		Μ	Ρ	L
Ada	f_A	18	16	10
Byron	f_B	10	12	18
Countess	f_C	14	15	15

- Preferences:
 - Assign the same weight to mathematics and physics, and more weight to this subjects than to literature.
 - $\circ\,$ Represent the following preference on the students:

$$B \prec A \prec C.$$

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• No solution with additive measures We can use non-additive measures (with the Choquet integral)

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 Only |X| values (a probability) and a function (distorting function)

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 - \circ f and P represent a fuzzy measure μ , iff

$$\mu(A) = f(P(A))$$
 for all $A \in 2^X$

f a real-valued function, P a probability measure on $(X, 2^X)$

- $\circ~f$ is strictly increasing w.r.t. a probability measure P iff P(A) < P(B) implies f(P(A)) < f(P(B))
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- So, for a given reference set X we need:
 - Probability distribution on X: p(x) for all $x \in X$
 - Distortion function f on the probability measure: f(P(A))

Distorted Probabilities: Application

- Given a distorted probability ...
 - ... we can apply any fuzzy integral

• E.g.

- the Choquet integral
- the Sugeno integral

Distorted Probabilities: Application

- Distorted probability and Choquet integral:
 - The WOWA operator can be represented as a Choquet integral with a distorted probability.
 - * WOWA generalizes both the WM and the OWA, using both WM weights and OWA weights.
 - \circ From the distorted probability perspective, in WOWA:
 - \star the WM weights correspond to the probability distribution
 - \star the OWA weights are used to the construct the distortion function

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$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0.5 \\ 0.2 & \text{if } 0.5 \le x < 0.6 \\ 0.4 & \text{if } 0.6 \le x < 0.85 \\ 1.0 & \text{if } 0.85 \le x \le 1.0 \end{cases}$$
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• μ is a DP but not a \perp -decomposable fuzzy measure because, there is no t-conorm s.t. $\perp(0,0) \neq 0$ \rightarrow as $\mu(\{a,b\}) = 0.2$ when $\mu(\{a\}) = 0$ and $\mu(\{b\}) = 0$, we would require $0.2 = \mu(\{a,b\}) = \perp(\mu(\{a\}), \mu(\{b\})) = \perp(0,0)$.

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- 2nd. example (I):
 - $\mu_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{w}}$ over $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\}$ from (probability distribution) $\mathbf{p} = (0.2, 0.3, 0.1, 0.2, 0.1)$, and function (from $\mathbf{w} = (0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.2, 0.1)$):



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- 2nd. example (II):

 $\mu_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{w}}$ is a 5-additive fuzzy measure because $m(A) \neq 0$ for all A.
E.g., $m(\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\}) = 0.50746528$,

 $m(\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}) = -0.2537326.$

There is no k-additive fuzzy measure equivalent to $\mu_{p,w}$ for k < 5.

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Observe the following

- For $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$, 2/8 of distorted probabilities.
- For larger sets X ...

... the proportion of distorted probabilities decreases rapidly

• For $\mu(\{1\}) \le \mu(\{2\}) \le \dots$

X	Number of possible orderings for	Number of possible orderings for
	Distorted Probabilities	Fuzzy Measures
1	1	1
2	1	1
3	2	8
4	14	70016
5	546	$O(10^{12})$
6	215470	_

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Goal:

• To cover a larger region of the space of fuzzy measures

Unconstrained fuzzy measures



 \rightarrow (similar to the property of k-additive fuzzy measures)

 $DP_{1,X} \subset DP_{2,X} \subset DP_{3,X} \cdots \subset DP_{|X|,X}$

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 - \star Each X_i is a partition element of X (a dimension)
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m-Dimensional Distorted Probabilities: Example

• Running example:

• A fuzzy measure that is not a distorted probability:

$$\mu(\emptyset) = 0 \qquad \mu(\{M, L\}) = 0.9$$

$$\mu(\{M\}) = 0.45 \qquad \mu(\{P, L\}) = 0.9$$

$$\mu(\{P\}) = 0.45 \qquad \mu(\{M, P\}) = 0.5$$

$$\mu(\{L\}) = 0.3 \qquad \mu(\{M, P, L\}) = 1$$

 \circ Partition on X:

* $X_1 = \{L\}$ (Literary subjects) * $X_2 = \{M, P\}$ (Scientific Subjects)

m-Dimensional Distorted Probabilities: Definition

• *m*-dimensional distorted probabilities.

 $\circ~\mu$ is an at most m dimensional distorted probability if

 $\mu(A) = f(P_1(A \cap X_1), P_2(A \cap X_2), \cdots, P_m(A \cap X_m))$

where,

- $\{X_1, X_2, \cdots, X_m\}$ is a partition of X, P_i are probabilities on $(X_i, 2^{X_i})$, f is a function on \mathbb{R}^m strictly increasing with respect to the *i*-th axis for all $i = 1, 2, \ldots, m$.
- μ is an *m*-dimensional distorted probability if it is an at most *m* dimensional distorted probability but it is not an at most m-1 dimensional.

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 $\mu(A) = f(P_1(A \cap \{L\}), P_2(A \cap \{M, P\}))$

 $\circ\,$ with partition on $X=\{M,L,P\}$

- 1. Literary subject $\{L\}$
- 2. Science subjects $\{M, P\}$,
- probabilities
 - 1. $P_1(\{L\}) = 1$

2.
$$P_2(\{M\}) = P_2(\{P\}) = 0.5$$
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 $\circ\,$ and distortion function f defined by

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$$f$$
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Distorted Probabilities and Multisets an approach to define (simple) fuzzy measures on multisets

Multisets: elements can appear more than once

- Defined in terms of $count_M : X \to \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}$ e.g. when $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $M = \{a, a, b, b, c, c, c\}$, $count_M(a) = 2$, $count_M(b) = 3$, $count_M(c) = 3$, $count_M(d) = 0$.
- $\bullet \ A$ and B multisets on X, then
 - \circ A ⊆ B if and only if $count_A(x) \le count_B(x)$ for all x in X (used to define submultiset).
 - $\circ A \cup B$:

 $count_{A\cup B}(x) = max(count_A(x), count_B(x))$ for all x in X. $\circ A \cap B$:

 $count_{A\cap B}(x) = min(count_A(x), count_B(x))$ for all x in X.

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Proof based on some results on number theory about the existence of k prime numbers in certain intervals (Bertrand's postulate).

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m-Dimensional DP for multisets

How to solve the *problem* that not all fuzzy measures for multisets are distorted probabilities ?

• Same approach as before: m-dimensional prime number-based fuzzy measure Unconstrained fuzzy measures

DP

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m-dimensional prime number-based fuzzy measure

• μ is an at most m-dimensional prime number-based fuzzy measure if

$$\mu(A) = f(n_1(A \cap X_1), \dots, n_m(A \cap X_m))$$

where,

 $\{X_1, X_2, \cdots, X_m\}$ is a partition of X, $n_i(A) = \prod_{x \in X_i} \phi(x)^{count_A(x)}$ with ϕ_i injective functions from X_i to the prime numbers f is a strictly increasing function with respect to the *i*-th axis for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

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• All fuzzy measures are at most |X|-dimensional prime number-based fuzzy measures.

Integral

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• Boundary measures:

- $\circ \ \mu^+(A) = A \cdot M \text{ for all } A \subseteq X$
- $\circ \ \mu_-(A) = A \cap M \text{ for all } A \subseteq X$
- They satisfy:

$$\mu_{-}(A) \le \mu^{+}(A)$$

and, therefore,

$$(C)\int fd\mu_- < (C)\int fd\mu^+$$

Finally an application

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