

## Three fuzzy problem(s)

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## John von Neumann

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1898. - **E. Borel**

1900. - **H. Lebesgue**

1933. - **A. N. Kolmogorov**

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$$A \subseteq B \quad \text{then} \quad m(A) \leq m(B)$$

- strongly subadditive

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- continuous

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- increasing
- continuous from below
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1967. - A. P. Dempster, "Upper and lower probabilities induced by a multivalued mapping", The Annals of Mathematical Statistics

1976. - G. Shafer, "A Mathematical Theory of Evidence", Princeton University Press

**belief measures**  $Bel : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :

**additivity  $\rightarrow$  superadditivity**

$$Bel(A \cup B) \geq Bel(A) + Bel(B), \quad A \cap B = \emptyset$$

**plausibility measures**  $Pl : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :

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1988 - D. Dubois and H. Prade, "Possibility Theory", Plenum Press, New York.

**possibility measures**  $\pi : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :

$$\pi(X) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \pi(\cup_{i \in I} A_i) = \sup_{i \in I} \pi(A_i)$$

**necessity measures**  $\nu : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :

$$\nu(\emptyset) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \nu(\cap_{i \in I} A_i) = \inf_{i \in I} \nu(A_i)$$

## $S$ -measure

A **triangular conorm**  $S$  is a function  $S : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that

- $S(x, y) = S(y, x)$ ,
- $S(x, S(y, z)) = S(S(x, y), z)$ ,
- $S(x, y) \leq S(x, z)$  fr  $y \leq z$ ,
- $S(x, 0) = x$ .

Let  $X$  be the universal set, let  $\Sigma$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $X$ . A mapping  $\mu : \Sigma \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a  **$S$ -measure** if  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ , and for all  $A, B \in \Sigma$  such that  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  holds

$$\mu(A \cup B) = S(\mu(A), \mu(B)).$$

E. P. Klement, R. Mesiar and E. Pap, *Triangular Norms*. Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publishers 2000.

## $\oplus$ -measure

Let  $[a, b]$  be a closed subinterval of  $[-\infty, +\infty]$  (in some cases semiclosed subintervals will be considered) and let  $\preceq$  be a total order on  $[a, b]$ . A **semiring** is a structure  $([a, b], \oplus, \odot)$  such that the following holds:

- $\oplus$  is **pseudo-addition**, i.e., a function  $\oplus : [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  which is commutative, non-decreasing (with respect to  $\preceq$ ), associative and with a zero element, denoted by  $\mathbf{0}$ ;
- $\odot$  is **pseudo-multiplication**, i.e., a function  $\odot : [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow [a, b]$  which is commutative, positively non-decreasing ( $x \preceq y$  implies  $x \odot z \preceq y \odot z$ ,  $z \in [a, b]_+ = \{x : x \in [a, b], \mathbf{0} \preceq x\}$ ), associative and for which exists a unit element denoted by  $\mathbf{1}$ ;
- $\mathbf{0} \odot x = \mathbf{0}$ ;
- $x \odot (y \oplus z) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z)$ .

## $\oplus$ -measure

A set function  $\mu : \Sigma \rightarrow [a, b]_+$  is a  $\sigma$ - $\oplus$ -measure if

i)  $\mu(\emptyset) = \mathbf{0}$ ,

ii) 
$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i),$$

where  $(A_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of pairwise disjoint sets from  $\Sigma$ .

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E. Pap, *Pseudo-additive measures and their applications*. In: Handbook of Measure Theory (E. Pap, ed.), Volume II, pp. 1403-1465, Elsevier, North-Holland 2002.

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Student *A*:  $M = 18$ ,  $F = 16$ ,  $L = 10$ ;

Student *B*:  $M = 10$ ,  $F = 12$ ,  $L = 18$ ;

Student *C*:  $M = 14$ ,  $F = 15$ ,  $L = 15$ .

1.  $\mu(\{M\}) = \mu(\{F\}) = 0.45$ ,  $\mu(\{L\}) = 0.3$ ;

2.  $\mu(\{M, F\}) = 0.5 < \mu(\{M\}) + \mu(\{F\}) = 0.9$ ;

3.  $\mu(\{M, L\}) = \mu(\{F, L\}) = 0.9 > \mu(\{M\}) + \mu(\{L\}) = 0.75$ .

4.  $\mu(\{M, F, L\}) = 1$ ,  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ .

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arithmetic men	15.25	12.75	14.625
Choquet integral	13.9	13.6	14.9

## Examples - Maximal Covering Location Problem

- $X = \{L_1, L_2, \dots, L_R\}$  - set of all locations;
- $Y = \{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_P\}$  - set of all facilities;
- $\mu : \mathcal{P}(Y) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  - measure of interaction for different facilities modelled by a **fuzzy measure**;
- $\omega_{i,j} \in [0, 1]$  - degree of coverage for location  $L_i$  by the  $j$ -th facility.

$$f_{L_i} : Y \rightarrow \{\omega_{i,1}, \omega_{i,2}, \dots, \omega_{i,m}\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, R;$$

### Coverage degree

$$g = \sum_i (\mathbf{C}) \int \mathbf{f}_{L_i} \mathbf{d}\mu;$$

A. Takači et al.: An Extension of Maximal Covering Location Problem based on the Choquet Integral, Acta Polytechnica Hungarica, Vol 13, 205-220, 2016.

## Example - Impact Evaluation of European Capital of Culture - ECoC index

- The outer level of aggregation observes three basic segments dimensions that participate in the formation of the ECoC index, namely Culture, Economy, and Community. The relevance of the observed segment is expressed by a **fuzzy measure called the measure of significance** that is predefined by experts. Index is calculated by **Choquet integral**.
- The inner level of aggregation focuses on calculation of an index for each segment (Culture, Economy, Community) and it is also done by **Choquet integral** with respect to **measure of significance** on subsegments.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ECoC}(2018) &= 6.33 & \text{ECoC}(2019) &= 6.7575 & \text{ECoC}(2020) &= 6.283 \\ \text{ECoC}(2021) &= 6.4655 & \text{ECoC}(2021) &= 8.412 \end{aligned}$$

M. Vuičić et al.: Prepare for Impact! A Methodological Approach for Comprehensive Impact Evaluation of European Capital of Culture: The Case of Novi Sad 2022, Social Indicators Research, Vol 165, 715-736, 2023.

## Example - Choquet Integral in Ranking Crimes

**Step 1:** Modeling attributes of the data are done by **fuzzy sets**.

**Step 2:** Simple functions for all data are formed by extracting numerical values from the fuzzy set in Step 1.

**Step 3:** The importance and interaction of attributes of the data are described by **fuzzy measures** obtained using aggregation operators on singleton values determined by experts.

**Step 4:** Each data is evaluated by an integral aggregation operator (**fuzzy integral**) based on the fuzzy measure in Step 3.

M. E. Cornejo et al.: On Choquet integral in ranking crimes. Studies in Computational Intelligence. Springer. Studies in Computational 1040, 181-187, 2023.

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- "Fuzzy to crisp"
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## Fuzzy measure as a base for monotone expectation

The **monotone expectation** of  $f$  with respect to  $\mu$ , denoted with  $E_\mu$ , is

$$E_\mu(f) = (C) \int_X f d\mu.$$

*De Campos, L.M., & Bolaños, M.J. (1989). Representation of fuzzy measures through probabilities. Fuzzy Sets and Systems, 31, 23-36.*

*Reche, F., Morales, M., & Salmerón, A. (2020). Statistical Parameters Based on Fuzzy Measures. Mathematics, 8(11), 2015.*

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## Fuzzy sets in statistical hypotheses

"softening" statistical hypotheses - assumptions are no longer crisp

The **fuzzy hypothesis** is

**FH** :  $\theta$  is  $A$ , where  $A$  is a fuzzy subset of  $\Theta$ .

*Parchami, A., Taheri, S.M., & Mashinchi, M. (2010). Fuzzy p-value in testing fuzzy hypotheses with crisp data. Statistical Papers, 51, 209.*

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## Possibilistic expectation of fuzzy numbers

The **possibilistic expected value of a fuzzy number**  $A$  is

$$E(A) = \int_0^1 2\alpha E(U_{A,\alpha}) d\alpha$$

$E(U_{A,\alpha})$  is the expected value of a random variable  $U_{A,\alpha}$  with the uniform probability distribution on  **$\alpha$ -cuts**  $[a_l(\alpha), a_r(\alpha)]$

*Carlsson, C., & Fuller, R. (2001). On possibilistic mean value and variance of fuzzy numbers. Fuzzy Sets and Systems, 122, 315-326.*

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## Fuzzy data in statistical hypotheses

The **statistical test** problem is

$$\mathbf{FH}_0 : \tilde{\theta} = \tilde{\theta}_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad \mathbf{FH}_1 : \tilde{\theta} > \tilde{\theta}_0,$$

where  $\tilde{\theta}_0$  is a fixed fuzzy number, and **comparison of fuzzy numbers is done through  $\alpha$ -cuts**

$$\tilde{\theta} > \tilde{\theta}_0 \quad \text{iff} \quad \tilde{\theta}_l(\alpha) > (\tilde{\theta}_0)_l(\alpha) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\theta}_r(\alpha) > (\tilde{\theta}_0)_r(\alpha)$$

*Wu, H.C. (2005). Statistical hypotheses testing for fuzzy data. Information Sciences, 279, 446-459.*

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## Expected value of fuzzy events through fuzzy integrals

- Choquet expectation

$${}^{(C)}\mathbf{E}_\mu(A) = {}^{(C)} \int m_A d\mu = \int_0^1 \mu([A]^\alpha) d\alpha$$

- Sugeno expectation

$${}^{(S)}\mathbf{E}_\mu(A) = {}^{(S)} \int m_A d\mu = \sup_{\alpha \in [0,1]} \min(\alpha, \mu([A]^\alpha))$$

*Klement, E. P., & Mesiar, R. (2015). On the Expected Value of Fuzzy Events. International Journal of Uncertainty, Fuzziness and Knowledge-Based Systems, 23, 57-74.*

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The **GFI based expected value** for  $A$ , and is given by

$$M_{GFI}(A) = \int_X^{\oplus} \alpha E(U_{A,\alpha}) \otimes d\mu,$$

where  $E(U_{A,\alpha})$  is the expectation of a random variable  $U_{A,\alpha}$  with uniform distribution on  $[a_l(\alpha), a_r(\alpha)]$ .

*Grujić, G., Lozanov-Crvenković, Z., & Štajner-Papuga, I. (2017). General fuzzy integral as a base for estimation of fuzzy quantities. Fuzzy Sets and Systems, 326, 69-80.*

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## Horizontal fuzzy relations and hypotheses testing

*Let the universe  $X$  be the real line, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the family of all triangular fuzzy numbers.*

$$S_L(A, B) = \begin{cases} 0, & LTR(A) \subseteq LTR(B) \\ \sup_{\{x | m_{LTR(A)}(x) > m_{LTR(B)}(x)\}} m_B(x), & otherwise \end{cases}$$

$$FL_{AB} = \begin{cases} S_L(A, B) & S_L(A, B) \leq S_L(B, A) \\ 1 - S_L(B, A) & otherwise \end{cases}$$

*A. Takači et al.: On Horizontal Fuzzy Relations and Hypotheses Testing, Acta Polytechnica Hungarica, Vol 21, 153-166, 2024.*

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*The **horizontal fuzzy relation**  $\preceq_F$ , where  $\preceq_F: \mathcal{F} \times \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , is*

$$\preceq_F (A, B) = A \preceq_F B = 0.5(FL_{AB} + FR_{AB}).$$

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**The acceptance degree of a hypothesis  $\mathbf{FH}_0$  is**

$$AD_{\mathbf{FH}_0} = \max(\tilde{\theta}_0 - \hat{y} \preceq_F \frac{z_{\xi/2}}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \tilde{\sigma}, \frac{-z_{\xi/2}}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \tilde{\sigma} \preceq_F \tilde{\theta}_0 - \hat{y}),$$

*where  $\hat{y}$  is fuzzy arithmetic mean of  $\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \dots, \tilde{x}_n$ ,  $z_{\xi/2}$  is  $1 - \frac{\xi}{2}$ -quantile of normal  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  distribution.*

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