

# A modal logic for belief functions on MV-algebras

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## Logical approach: $FP(\wedge_k, \perp)$ and $FP(C\wedge_k, \perp)$

The above definitions suggest that a logic for belief functions on MV-events can be introduced by expanding the language of Łukasiewicz logic by two unary modalities:

- A modality  $\square$  whose interpretation is intended to capture the behavior of the measure of inclusion  $\hat{\rho}$ , or  $\rho$ , we are dealing with.
- A modality  $\text{Pr}$  that respects the axioms of states on MV-algebras.

Finally we interpret the *belief* of  $\varphi$  by  $\text{Pr}(\square\varphi)$  (a similar approach was used by Godo, Hájek and Esteva to deal with belief functions over Boolean events).



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# Probabilistic models

The first kind of models for  $FP(\wedge_k, \perp)$  and  $FP(C\wedge_k, \perp)$  are defined as follows:

## Definition

A *probabilistic Kripke model* is a system

$$M = \langle W, e, R, s \rangle$$

such that its reduct  $\langle W, e, R \rangle$  is a  $\perp_k^c$ -Kripke model, and  $s : \mathfrak{F}_M^\square \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a state, where  $\mathfrak{F}_M^\square = \{ \|\varphi\|_M : w \in W \mapsto \|\varphi\|_{M,w} : \varphi \in \mathfrak{F}^\square \}$ .

A probabilistic  $\perp_k^c$ -Kripke model such that its reduct  $\langle W, e, R \rangle$  is a classical Kripke model, is called a *probabilistic classical Kripke frame*.

Let  $M = \langle W, e, R, s \rangle$  be a probabilistic  $\mathcal{L}_k^c$  (classical) Kripke model. For every  $\Phi \in \mathfrak{F}^\sigma$ , and for every  $w \in W$ , we define the truth value of  $\Phi$  in  $M$  at  $w$  inductively as follows:

- If  $\Phi \in \mathfrak{F}^\square$ , then its truth value  $\|\Phi\|_{M,w}$  is evaluated in the fragment  $\langle W, e, R \rangle$  as we defined in the previous section.
- If  $\Phi = \sigma\psi$ , then  $\|\sigma\psi\|_{M,w} = s(\|\psi\|_M)$ .
- If  $\Phi$  is a compound formula, its truth values is computed by truth functionality.

### Theorem (Probabilistic completeness)

(1) *The logic  $FP(\Lambda_k, \perp)$  is sound and finitely strong complete with respect to the class of probabilistic  $\mathcal{L}_k^c$ -Kripke models.*

(2) *The logic  $FP(C\Lambda_k, \perp)$  is sound and finitely strong complete with respect to the class of probabilistic classical Kripke models.*

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# Belief function models

## Definition

The set of *belief formulas* (or *B-formulas*) is the subset of  $\mathfrak{F}^\sigma$  defined as follows: *atomic belief formulas* are those in the form  $\sigma \Box \psi$  (where of course  $\psi$  is a formula in  $\mathfrak{L}_k^c$ ), that will be henceforth denoted by  $B(\psi)$ ; *compound belief formulas* are defined from atomic ones using the connectives of  $\mathfrak{L}$ . The set of belief formulas will be denoted by  $\mathfrak{F}^B$ .

Let now  $\Omega$  be the set of all the evaluations of  $\mathfrak{L}_k^c$ , over the (finite) set of propositional variables  $V$ , i.e.  $\Omega = (\mathcal{S}_k)^V$ . For every formula  $\varphi$  without occurrences of modalities (i.e.  $\varphi$  is a formula in the language of  $\mathfrak{L}_k^c$ ), let  $\|\varphi\|_\Omega : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_k$  be defined as  $\|\varphi\|_\Omega(w) = w(\varphi)$ .

## Definition

A (*Kroupa*) belief function model is a pair  $N = (\Omega, m)$  where  $\Omega$  is as above, and  $m : (\mathcal{S}_k)^\Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$  ( $m : (\{0, 1\})^\Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ) satisfies  $\sum_{f \in (\mathcal{S}_k)^\Omega} m(f) = 1$ , and  $m(\emptyset) = 0$ . Then the corresponding belief function  $bel_m$  is defined as usual: for every formula  $\varphi$ ,

$$bel_m(\varphi) = \sum_{g \in (\mathcal{S}_k)^\Omega} \rho_{\|\varphi\|_\Omega}(g) \cdot m(g).$$

For every belief formula  $\Phi$ , and every belief function model  $N = (\Omega, m)$ ,  $\Phi$  is evaluated into  $N$  as follows:

- If  $\Phi = B(\varphi)$  is atomic, then  $\|B(\varphi)\|_N = bel_m(\varphi)$ .
- If  $\Phi$  is compound, then  $\|\Phi\|_N$  is computed by truth functionality as usual.

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Hence, if we limit to belief formulas, and belief theories, then  $FP(\wedge_k, \perp)$  is sound and finitely complete with respect to the class of belief models. An analogous result holds for  $FP(C\wedge_k, \perp)$  with respect to Kroupa belief models.

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