

Descriptive complexity of real computation and probabilistic team semantics

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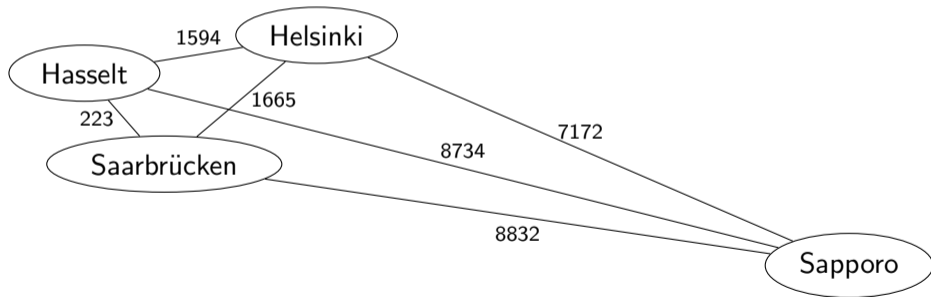
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\mathbb{R} -structures

\mathbb{R} -structures [Grädel and Meer, 1995] consist of a finite structure \mathfrak{A} together with an ordered field of reals and a finite set of weight functions from \mathfrak{A} to \mathbb{R}

(particular case of **metafinite structures** [Grädel and Gurevich, 1998])



Blum-Shub-Smale machines

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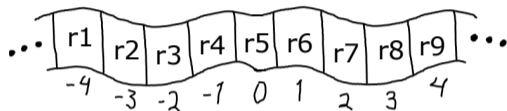
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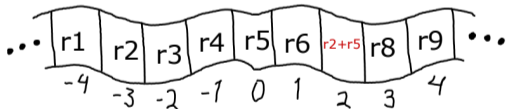
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Addition: $[2] := [-3] + [0]$



Nondeterministic BSS

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$\mathcal{L} \in \text{NP}_{\mathbb{R}}$ there exists a BSS machine M s.t.
 $x \in \mathcal{L}$ iff $\exists y \in \mathbb{R}^*$ s.t. M accepts (x, y) in polynomial time in $|x|$.

Example $\text{NP}_{\mathbb{R}}$ -complete problem: Is there a real root for a polynomial of degree 4?

Descriptive complexity over the reals

Theorem ([Grädel and Meer, 1995])

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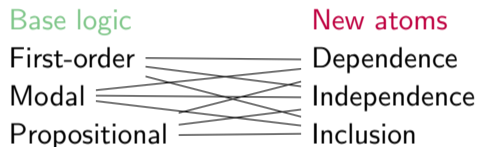
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5. (negated) inequality \leq between numerical terms

Descriptive complexity of real computation and probabilistic team semantics

Logics of dependence and independence

Recipe for modern logics for dependence and independence:



Historical predecessors: First-order logic + richer quantification of variables

- ▶ Partially ordered quantifiers [Henkin, 1961]
- ▶ Independence-friendly logic [Hintikka and Sandu, 1989]

Qualitative vs. quantitative dependence

Modern logics of dependence can reason both about **qualitative** (relational) and **quantitative** (probabilistic) dependencies?

Qualitative:

Functional dependency $X \rightarrow Y$

Multivalued dependency $X \twoheadrightarrow Y$

Inclusion dependency $X \subseteq Y$

Quantitative:

Marginal independence $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$

Conditional independence
 $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \mid Z$

Identical distribution of X and Y

Team semantics

Compositional semantics for complex dependence statements by [team semantics](#) [Hodges, 1997]

Team = set of objects (assignments, possible worlds, Boolean assignments)

Employee	Department	Salary
Alice	Math	50k
Bob	CS	40k
Carol	Physics	60k
David	Math	80k

New atoms = basic dependence statements about teams
(e.g, Employee determines Salary)

$\{\forall, \exists, \square, \diamond, \wedge, \vee\}$ for complex dependence statements

Probabilistic team semantics

Basic concepts:

- ▶ **Probabilistic team** = probability distribution on a finite team (FoIKS 2018)
- ▶ **Quantitative atoms** (e.g., conditional independence, identical marginal distributions)
- ▶ $\{\forall, \exists, \wedge, \vee\}$ for complex probability statements

	x_0	x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	x_5	
s_2							$\frac{2}{9}$
s_1							$\frac{3}{9}$
s_0							$\frac{4}{9}$

Reasoning about dependencies

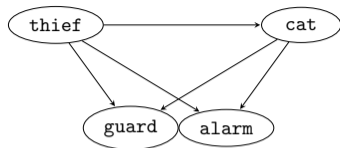
Dependence and independence pivotal notions in many areas (databases, social choice, quantum foundations, ...)

Team logics can be used to express and formally prove results in these fields

- ▶ Arrow's theorem [Pacuit and Yang, 2016]
- ▶ Bell's theorem [Hyttinen et al., 2015]
- ▶ Implication problems for data dependencies [Hannula and Kontinen, 2016]

No “general” proof system: validity problem usually **non-arithmetical**.

Example



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0.1	0.9

cat		
thief	T	F
T	0.1	0.9
F	0.6	0.4

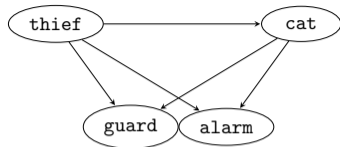
guard		
thief, cat	T	F
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FF	0	1

alarm		
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From the Bayesian network above we obtain that the joint probability distribution for t, c, g, a can be factorized as

$$P(t, c, g, a) = P(t) \cdot P(c | t) \cdot P(g | t, c) \cdot P(a | t, c)$$

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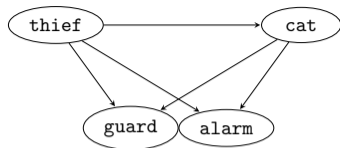
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If additionally we have

$$\phi := t = F \rightarrow g = F$$

(i.e., guard never raises alert in absence of thief), the two bottom rows of the conditional probability table for guard become superfluous.

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Given

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(i.e., conditioned on thief and cat, alarm and guard are identically distributed), then the conditional probability tables for alarm and guard are identical and one of them can be removed.

Probabilistic inclusion logic $\text{FO}(\approx)$ and independence logic $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$

Syntax: $\text{FO}(\text{negation normal form}) + \vec{x} \approx \vec{y}$ (only positively)
 $\text{FO}(\text{negation normal form}) + \vec{y} \perp\!\!\!\perp_{\vec{x}} \vec{z}$ (only positively)

Semantics: Defined in terms of a **finite structure** \mathfrak{A} and a **probabilistic team** \mathbb{X}

- (1) **Team** = a set of variable assignments with a shared domain
- (2) **Probabilistic team** = a pair $\mathbb{X} = (X, p)$, where X is a finite team and $p : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a probability distribution

Semantics of (probabilistic) dependencies

Let $\mathbb{X} = (X, \rho)$ be a probabilistic team and \vec{x}, \vec{a} be tuples of variables and values.

$$|\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}=\vec{a}} := \sum_{\substack{s \in X \\ s(\vec{x})=\vec{a}}} \rho(s)$$

The semantics of **marginal identity atoms** (identical distribution) $\vec{x} \approx \vec{y}$:

$$\mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} \vec{x} \approx \vec{y} \text{ iff } |\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}=\vec{a}} = |\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{y}=\vec{a}}, \text{ for each } \vec{a} \in A^k$$

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$$|\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}\vec{y}=s(\vec{x}\vec{y})} \cdot |\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}\vec{z}=s(\vec{x}\vec{z})} = |\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}\vec{y}\vec{z}=s(\vec{x}\vec{y}\vec{z})} \cdot |\mathbb{X}|_{\vec{x}=s(\vec{x})}$$

Semantics of first-order part I

Definition (FolKS 2018)

Let \mathfrak{A} be a finite structure and $\mathbb{X} = (X, p)$ a probabilistic team.

$$\mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} \ell \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathfrak{A} \models_s \ell \text{ for all } s \in X \text{ such that } p(s) > 0$$

(when ℓ is a first-order literal)

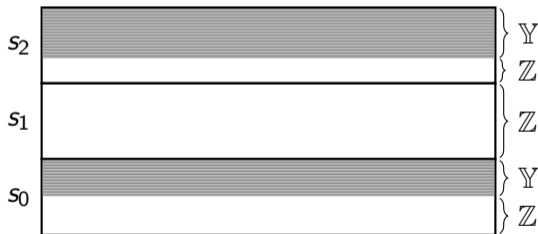
$$\mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} (\psi \wedge \theta) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} \psi \text{ and } \mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} \theta$$

Semantics of first-order part II

Disjunction via **convex combinations**:

$$\mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{X}} (\psi \vee \theta) \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{Y}} \psi \text{ and } \mathfrak{A} \models_{\mathbb{Z}} \theta,$$

where $\mathbb{X} = \alpha \cdot \mathbb{Y} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \mathbb{Z}$, for some $\alpha \in [0, 1]$.



NB. The empty set is considered as a probabilistic team.

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Descriptive complexity in **probabilistic team logics**:

- ▶ Sentences \sim finite structures \sim strings of Booleans
- ▶ Formulae \sim probabilistic teams \sim strings of reals
Here we venture to the realm of **BSS-computing**.

Expressivity over sentences

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BSS machines and logics on \mathbb{R} -structures cont.

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Too strong for $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$: 1) Lacks negation, 2) Quantification over $[0, 1]$

S-BSS model of computation

Blum-Shub-Smale machines (1989)

Input: finite string of reals

Output: 0 or 1 (**decision problems**)

A program is a finite list of instructions:

- ▶ Arithmetic instructions:
 $x_i \leftarrow (x_j + x_k)$, $x_i \leftarrow (x_j - x_k)$,
 $x_i \leftarrow (x_j \times x_k)$, $x_i \leftarrow c$.
- ▶ Shift left or right.
- ▶ Branch on inequality
if $x_0 \leq 0$ **then** go to α ; **else** go to β .

Separate branching BSS-machines

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Output: 0 or 1 (**decision problems**)

Instead of **branch on inequality**:

- ▶ **Separate branch** on inequality
($\epsilon^- < \epsilon^+$ are real numbers):
if $x_0 \leq \epsilon^-$ **then** go to α ;
else if $x_0 \geq \epsilon^+$ **then** go to β ;
else reject.

Nondeterministic S-BSS computations

Nondeterminism is implemented by guessing a certificate from $[0, 1]$:

$\mathcal{L} \in \text{S-NP}_{[0,1]}$ there exists an **S-BSS** machine M s.t.
 $x \in \mathcal{L}$ iff $\exists y \in [0, 1]^*$ s.t. M accepts (x, y) in polynomial time in $|x|$

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Expressive power of $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$

Descriptive complexity of $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$ in real computation:

Theorem (LICS 2020)

$$\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c) \equiv \mathbf{L}\text{-ESO}_{[0,1]}[+, \times, \leq] \equiv \text{S-NP}_{[0,1]}^0$$

- ▶ “Loose fragment”: no negated atoms $\neg i \leq j$ between two numerical terms
- ▶ Existential second-order quantification over functions from $\text{Dom}(\mathfrak{A})$ to $[0, 1]$
- ▶ Superscript 0: only machine constants 0 and 1 allowed

NB. The result holds for formulae of $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$

Expressive powers of $\text{FO}(\approx)$ and $\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots))$

Theorem (arXiv 2020)

$\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \equiv \text{L-ESO}_{[0,1]}[+, \leq, 0, 1]$

$\text{FO}(\approx) \equiv \textit{almost conjunctive} \text{L-}(\exists^* \forall^*)_{\text{d}[0,1]}[\text{SUM}, \leq, 0, 1]$

Separation of BSS and S-BSS computation

Theorem ([Blum et al., 1989])

Every language decidable by a (deterministic) BSS machine is a countable disjoint union of semi-algebraic sets.

Theorem (LICS 2020)

Every language decidable by

- ▶ *a deterministic S-BSS machine, or*
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Proof.

- ▶ The set of strings $s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ accepted by an S-BSS machine M in time (at most) t can be described by an L-EFO $_{[0,1]}$ formula in $(\mathbb{R}, +, \times, \leq, 0, 1)$.
- ▶ Every n -ary relation defined by some L-EFO $_{[0,1]}$ formula is closed in \mathbb{R}^n .



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Theorem (LICS 2020)

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Main result: $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$ and real computation cont.

This separation holds also wrt. machines with constants 0, 1

Descriptive complexity of $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$ thus strictly **below** $\text{NP}_{\mathbb{R}}^0$:

Corollary

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Scope of corollary: **formulae** of $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$

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Existential theory of the reals and BSS machines

Theorem ([Bürgisser and Cucker, 2006, Grädel and Meer, 1995, Schaefer and Stefankovic, 2017])

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Lemma

Let $\phi \in \text{FO}(\approx)$ be a sentence. There is a polynomial-time reduction from finite structures \mathfrak{A} to systems of linear inequations \mathcal{S} such that $\mathfrak{A} \models \phi$ if and only if \mathcal{S} has a solution.

Proof.

Sketch. Add a variable $x_{s,\psi}$, for any partial assignment s and any subformula ψ of ϕ . Initialize \mathcal{S} with $x_{\emptyset,\phi} = 1$, and $x_{\psi,s} \geq 0$ for all s and ψ . For each ψ add a set of equations to describe its corresponding team operation. E.g., for disjunction weights of assignments are split to two:

- ▶ If ψ is $\theta \vee \theta'$, add $x_{s,\theta} + x_{s,\theta'} = x_{s,\psi}$ for all s .



Deciding whether a system of linear inequalities has solutions is in polynomial time

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Let $\phi \in \text{FO}(\approx)$ be a sentence. The problem of determining whether $\mathfrak{A} \models \phi$ for a given finite structure \mathfrak{A} is in P.

From inclusion to probabilistic inclusion logic

Theorem

Every sentence of $\text{FO}(\subseteq)$ is equivalent to a sentence of $\text{FO}(\approx)$.

Proof.

Inclusion atoms definable in terms of *equiextension* atoms

$\vec{x}_1 \bowtie \vec{x}_2 := \vec{x}_1 \subseteq \vec{x}_2 \wedge \vec{x}_2 \subseteq \vec{x}_1$ [Galliani, 2012]. However, $\vec{x}_1 \approx \vec{x}_2 \not\equiv \vec{x}_1 \bowtie \vec{x}_2$ as equiextension may hold even if the weights are not in balance.

Proof idea. First balance all positive weights, then apply \approx :

$$\forall c \forall \vec{u} \exists v_1 v_2 \forall z'_1 \dots \forall z'_k \exists z_1 \dots \exists z_k \left(\bigwedge_{i=1,2} \vec{x}_i = \vec{u} \leftrightarrow v_i = c \wedge \right. \quad (1)$$
$$\left. \bigwedge_{i=1}^k z'_i = c \rightarrow z_i = c \wedge (\neg \vec{z} = \vec{c} \vee \vec{u} v_1 \approx \vec{u} v_2) \right),$$

where k is the number of “splits” (from quantification, disjunction) in the underlying sentence.

Probabilistic inclusion logic over sentences cont.

Theorem

$\text{FO}(\approx)$ corresponds to P over finite ordered structures.

Proof.

1. Over finite structures: $\text{FO}(\subseteq) \subseteq \text{FO}(\approx) \subseteq P$
2. Over finite ordered structures: $P \equiv \text{FO}(\subseteq)$ [Galliani and Hella, 2013]



Future work:

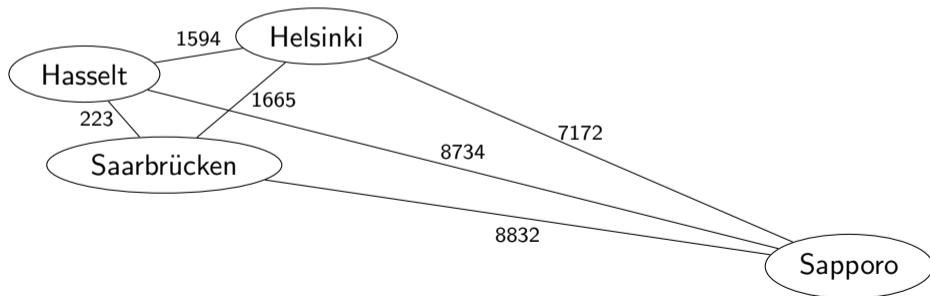
1. $\text{FO}(\subseteq)$ strictly subsumed by $\text{FO}(\approx)$ (over arbitrary finite structures)?
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Cf. [Grädel and Hegselmann, 2016]

Probabilistic inclusion/dependence logic over sentences

Results via \mathbb{R} -structures and Blum-Shub-Smale machines

\mathbb{R} -structures [Grädel and Meer, 1995] consist of a finite structure \mathfrak{A} together with an ordered field of reals and a finite set of weight functions from \mathfrak{A} to \mathbb{R}

(particular case of **metafinite structures** [Grädel and Gurevich, 1998])



Blum-Shub-Smale machines

Input: finite string of reals

Output: 0 or 1 (**decision problems**)

A program is a finite list of instructions:

▶ Arithmetic instructions:

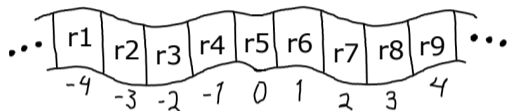
$$x_i \leftarrow (x_j + x_k), x_i \leftarrow (x_j - x_k),$$

$$x_i \leftarrow (x_j \times x_k), x_i \leftarrow c.$$

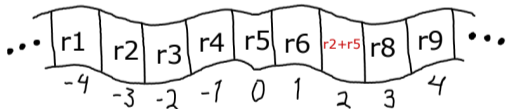
▶ Shift left or right.

▶ Branch on inequality

if $x_0 \leq 0$ **then** go to α ; **else** go to β .



Addition: $[2] := [-3] + [0]$



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Theorem ([Grädel and Meer, 1995])

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Two-sorted variant of ESO with

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Probabilistic inclusion/dependence vs. additive ESO over the reals

We show (adapting techniques from [FoIKS 2018]):

Theorem

$\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \equiv \text{L-ESO}_{[0,1]}[+, \leq, 0, 1]$

- ▶ “Loose fragment”: no negated atoms $\neg i \leq j$ between two numerical terms
- ▶ Existential second-order quantification over functions from $\text{Dom}(\mathfrak{A})$ to $[0, 1]$
- ▶ Only constants $0, 1$ allowed

NB. The result holds for formulae of $\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots))$

Probabilistic inclusion/dependence logic over sentences cont.

Theorem

Over finite structures, $\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \equiv \text{NP}$.

Proof.

\supseteq Over finite structures: $\text{NP} \subseteq \text{FO}(\text{dep}(\dots)) \subseteq \text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots))$

\subseteq It is easy to show that over formulae:

$$\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \subseteq \text{ESO}_{\mathbb{R}}[\leq, +, 0, 1] \subseteq \text{NP}_{\text{add}}^0.$$

NP_{add}^0 allows guessing a string of reals and then verifying in polynomial time in the **additive** Blum-Shub-Smale model of computation (with machine constants 0, 1).

It suffices to show that NP_{add}^0 collapses to NP over Boolean inputs. □

Collapse of additive NP over the reals

Theorem

Over Boolean inputs, $\text{NP}_{\text{add}}^0 = \text{NP}$

Proof.

Sketch. \supseteq trivial. \subseteq Suppose $L \subseteq \{0, 1\}^* \cap \text{NP}_{\text{add}}^0$ is decided non-deterministically by a BSS machine M whose running is bounded by some polynomial p . Let $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ be an input. First, guess the outcome of each comparison of the BSS computation; the outcome is a Boolean string z of length $p(n)$. During a computation the value of each coordinate x_i is a linear function on the constants 0 and 1, the input x , and the real guess y of length $p(n)$. Thus it is possible to construct in polynomial time a system:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{p(n)} a_{ij}y_j \leq 0 \quad (1 \leq i \leq m), \quad \sum_{j=1}^{p(n)} b_{ij}y_j < 0 \quad (1 \leq i \leq l), \quad a_{ij}, b_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (2)$$

such that y is a (real-valued) solution iff M accepts (x, y) wrt. z . □

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Expressivity over formulae

$$\text{FO}(\subseteq) \subsetneq \text{FO}(\subseteq, \text{dep}(\dots)) \equiv \text{FO}(\perp_c)$$

Table: Team semantics

$$\text{FO}(\approx) \subsetneq \text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \subsetneq^* \text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$$

Table: Probabilistic team semantics. * New results

Probabilistic inclusion/dependence vs. independence

Both \approx and $\text{dep}(\dots)$ expressible in $\text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$ (JELIA 2019)

Example

Define $\phi(x) = \exists c \exists y \forall z \theta$ where θ is defined as

$$\text{dep}(c) \wedge x \perp\!\!\!\perp y \wedge x \approx y \wedge ((x = c \wedge y = c) \leftrightarrow z = c). \quad (3)$$

Suppose $\{0, 1\} \models_{\mathbb{X}} \phi$. Then

1. $c \in \{0, 1\}$ is a constant;
2. z is uniformly distributed, so $z = c$ holds for weights $1/2$;
3. $x = c \wedge y = c$ holds for weight $1/2$;
4. x and y are independent and identically distributed, so $x = c$ holds for weight $1/\sqrt{2}$.

NB. Irrational weights **not definable** in $\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots))$.

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Over formulae, $\text{FO}(\approx, \text{dep}(\dots)) \subsetneq \text{FO}(\perp\!\!\!\perp_c)$

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The following axiomatization is sound and complete:

1. *reflexivity:* $x_1 \dots x_n \approx x_1 \dots x_n$;
2. *symmetry:* if $x_1 \dots x_n \approx y_1 \dots y_n$, then $y_1 \dots y_n \approx x_1 \dots x_n$;
3. *projection and permutation:* if $x_1 \dots x_n \approx y_1 \dots y_n$, then $x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_k} \approx y_{i_1} \dots y_{i_k}$, where i_1, \dots, i_k is a sequence of distinct integers from $\{1, \dots, n\}$.
4. *transitivity:* if $x_1 \dots x_n \approx y_1 \dots y_n$ and $y_1 \dots y_n \approx z_1 \dots z_n$, then $x_1 \dots x_n \approx z_1 \dots z_n$.







Conclusion







- ▶ We studied quantitative variants of inclusion and inclusion/dependence logics
- ▶ Qualitative and quantitative variants in many ways **analogous**:
 1. Inclusion logic captures P (over ordered models)
 2. Inclusion/dependence logic captures NP
 3. Marginal identity and independence has axioms, conditional independence has not
- ▶ Where the **analogy breaks down**:
 1. Relationship between inclusion/dependence logic, independence logic, and NP
 - ▶ Qualitative: Both logics capture NP properties of teams
 - ▶ Quantitative: additive vs. multiplicative properties of prob.teams. For sentences, former captures NP, latter $\exists[0, 1]^{\leq}$





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