



# Measures on tribes of fuzzy sets

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# Basic notions



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<b>classical</b> probability theory	<b>fuzzy</b> probability theory
<b><math>\sigma</math>-algebra</b> $\mathcal{T} \subseteq 2^X$	<b>tribe</b> $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$ , where $\mathcal{T} \subseteq [0, 1]^X$
$\emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$	$\wedge: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a <b>t-norm</b> , i.e., commutative, associative, nondecreasing, and $a \wedge 1 = a$
$A \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow A' := X \setminus A \in \mathcal{T}$	$0 \in \mathcal{T}$
$A, B \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \mathcal{T}$	$A \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow A' := 1 - A \in \mathcal{T}$
$(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{T}, A_n \nearrow A \Rightarrow A \in \mathcal{T}$	$A, B \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow A \dot{\cap} B \in \mathcal{T}$ *
<b><math>\sigma</math>-additive measure</b> $m: \mathcal{T} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$	<b>measure</b> ( $\mathcal{T}$ -measure) $m: \mathcal{T} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$
$m(\emptyset) = 0$	$m(0) = 0$
$m(A \cup B)$ $= m(A) + m(B) - m(A \cap B)$	$m(A \dot{\cup} B)$ $= m(A) + m(B) - m(A \dot{\cap} B)$ **
$A_n \nearrow A \Rightarrow m(A_n) \rightarrow m(A)$	$A_n \nearrow A \Rightarrow m(A_n) \rightarrow m(A)$

\*  $(A \dot{\cap} B)(x) := A(x) \wedge B(x)$

\*\*  $\dot{\cup}$  is dual to  $\dot{\cap}$ ,  $A \dot{\cup} B := (A' \dot{\cap} B)'$

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# Underlying $\sigma$ -algebra



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(center, boolean part, sharp elements)

**Proposition** [Butnariu & Klement]:

Crisp elements of a tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$ , i.e., elements of  $\mathcal{T} \cap \{0, 1\}^X$ , determine **always** a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$  of subsets of  $X$ .

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# Frank family of t-norms



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**Frank t-norms:**

$$a \underset{\mathbf{F}_s}{\wedge} b := \log_s \left( 1 + \frac{(s^a - 1)(s^b - 1)}{s - 1} \right)$$

for  $s \in (0, \infty) \setminus \{1\}$

limit cases:

$$s \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a \underset{\mathbf{F}_0}{\wedge} b := \min(a, b)$$

**standard t-norm**

$$s \rightarrow 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a \underset{\mathbf{F}_1}{\wedge} b := a \cdot b$$

**product t-norm**

$$s \rightarrow \infty \quad \Rightarrow \quad a \underset{\mathbf{F}_\infty}{\wedge} b = a \underset{\mathbf{L}}{\wedge} b := \max(a + b - 1, 0)$$

**Łukasiewicz t-norm**

a t-norm  $\underset{\cdot}{\wedge}$  is **strict** if it is continuous and  $a < b, 0 < c \Rightarrow a \underset{\cdot}{\wedge} c < b \underset{\cdot}{\wedge} c$

a Frank t-norm  $a \underset{\mathbf{F}_s}{\wedge} b$  is strict iff  $s \in (0, \infty)$

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## Case 1: Łukasiewicz t-norm (MV-algebraic case)



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**Loomis–Sikorski Theorem for MV-algebras** [Mundici, Dvurečenskij]:  
Every  $\sigma$ -complete MV-algebra is an epimorphic image of a tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbf{L}})$ .

**Theorem** [Butnariu & Klement]: All elements of a tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbf{L}})$  are  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable and every measure  $m$  on  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbf{L}})$  is a **linear integral measure**, i.e., it is of the form

$$m(\mathbf{A}) = \int \mathbf{A} \, d\mu$$

where  $\mu$  is a (classical) measure on  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ .

In this case, every measure is  $\sigma$ -additive in the usual sense.

The structure of  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbf{L}})$  may be complicated (characterized by [Klement, DN, MN]).

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# Case 1: Łukasiewicz t-norm II – characterization of tribes



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$\frac{k}{n}$  generates

$$\mathbf{S}_n := \{0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, 1\} \subseteq [0, 1]$$

in particular,

$$\mathbf{S}_1 := \{0, 1\}$$

**Theorem:** For every tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbf{L}})$  there are  $\sigma$ -filters  $\nabla_n$  in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ ,  $n \in N$ , such that

$\nabla_m \subseteq \nabla_n$  whenever  $n$  is a divisor of  $m$ ,

$$\mathcal{T} = \{A \in [0, 1]^X : A \text{ is } \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})\text{-measurable, } (\forall n \in N : A^{-1}(S_n) \in \nabla_n)\}$$

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## Case 2: Frank t-norms



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**Theorem** [Butnariu & Klement; MN; Barbieri & H. Weber]:

Let  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbb{F}_s})$  be a tribe, where  $\wedge_{\mathbb{F}_s}$  is a strict Frank t-norm. Then all elements of  $\mathcal{T}$  are  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable and every measure  $m$  on  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_{\mathbb{F}_s})$  is of the form

$$m(A) = \mu(\mathbf{Supp} A) + \int A d\nu$$

where  $\mathbf{Supp} A := \{x \in X : A(x) > 0\}$  and  $\mu, \nu$  are (classical) measures on  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ .

$\mu(\mathbf{Supp} A)$  ... **support measure**

**Example** [Barbieri & H. Weber]: A measure need not be monotonic, e.g.,

$$m(A) = \mu(\mathbf{Supp} A) - \int A d\mu$$

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## Case 3: Nearly Frank t-norms



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**Nearly Frank t-norm** is a t-norm which can be written as

$$a \underset{\mathbf{N}}{\wedge} b := h^{-1}(h(a) \underset{\mathbf{F}_s}{\wedge} h(b))$$

where  $\underset{\mathbf{F}_s}{\wedge}$  is a Frank t-norm and

$h: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a **negation-preserving automorphism (NPA)**,  
i.e., an increasing bijection satisfying  $h(a') = (h(a))'$

a NPA is uniquely determined by its restriction to  $[0, 1/2]$

the inverse of a NPA is a NPA

$\underset{\mathbf{F}_s}{\wedge}$  and  $h$  are uniquely determined by  $\underset{\mathbf{N}}{\wedge}$

nearly Frank  $\not\Rightarrow$  Frank (take  $h \neq id$ )

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## Case 3: Nearly Frank t-norms II – characterization of measures



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**Theorem** [Barbieri & MN & H. Weber]:

Let  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_N)$  be a tribe, where  $\wedge_N$  is a strict nearly Frank t-norm. Then all elements of  $\mathcal{T}$  are  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable and every measure  $m$  on  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge_N)$  is of the form

$$m(A) = \mu(\text{Supp } A) + \int (h \circ A) d\nu$$

where  $\mu, \nu$  are (classical) measures on  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ .

$\int (h \circ A) d\nu$  ... **generalized integral measure**

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[Butnariu & Klement; Mesiar; MN]

**Problem:** For a general strict t-norm  $\wedge$ , we do not know whether all elements of a tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$  are  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable.

$\Rightarrow$  **Additional assumption:**

$\mathcal{T}$  is a **weakly generated tribe**, i.e., there is a  $\sigma$ -filter  $\nabla$  in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$  such that  $\mathcal{T}$  is the collection of all functions  $A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  satisfying

- $A$  is  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable,
- $A^{-1}(\{0, 1\}) \in \nabla$ .

**Particular case:** ( $\nabla = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ )

$\mathcal{T}$  is a **generated tribe** if  $\mathcal{T}$  is the collection of all  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ -measurable functions  $A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$

**Open problem:** Is there a strict t-norm  $\wedge$  and a tribe  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$  which is not weakly generated?

**Partial answer:** Not for nearly Frank and for many other t-norms.

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## Case 4: Strict t-norms which are not nearly Frank



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**Proposition** [MN]: **They exist.**

**Problem** [MN]: **Recognize them!** (By an algorithm.)

**Solved** by [Mesiar].

Characterization of measures obtained [MN] for **monotonic  $T$ -measures on generated tribes.**

Now more generally, for **nonmonotonic  $T$ -measures on weakly generated tribes:**

**Theorem** [Barbieri & MN & H. Weber]:

Let  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$  be a tribe, where  $\wedge$  is a strict t-norm which is not nearly Frank. Then every measure  $m$  on  $(\mathcal{T}, \wedge)$  is a support measure, i.e., it is of the form

$$m(A) = \mu(\text{Supp } A)$$

where  $\mu$  is a (classical) measure on  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ .

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