

# Triangular norms based submeasures

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indeed, the notion of  $\tau_T$ -submeasure is closely related to the Menger PM-space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \tau_T)$  with the 'probabilistic analogue' of the triangle inequality expressed by

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### interpretation:

1.  $\tau_T$ -submeasures = fuzzy number-valued submeasures
2.  $\tau_M$ -submeasures can be represented by means of a non-decreasing system  $(\eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in [0,1]}$  of numerical submeasures as follows

$$\gamma_E(x) = \sup\{\alpha \in [0, 1]; \eta_\alpha(E) \leq x\}, \quad E \in \Sigma$$



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<p><i>Aczél-Alsina t-norms</i></p> <p><math>T_\lambda^{AA}, \lambda \in [0, +\infty[</math></p>	<p><math>\gamma_E^{AA,0}(x) = \varepsilon_{\eta(E)}(x)</math></p> <p><math>\gamma_E^{AA,\lambda}(x) = \exp\left(-\left[\max\{\eta(E) - x, 0\}\right]^{1/\lambda}\right)</math></p>
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<p><i>Sugeno-Weber t-norms</i>  <math>T_\lambda^{SW}, \lambda \in [-1, +\infty]</math></p>	$\gamma_E^{SW,-1}(x) = \gamma_E^{AA,0}(x)$ $\gamma_E^{SW,0}(x) = \gamma_E^{F,+\infty}(x)$ $\gamma_E^{SW,+\infty}(x) = \gamma_E^{F,1}(x)$ $\gamma_E^{SW,\lambda}(x) = \max \left\{ \min \left\{ \lambda^{-1} \left( (1 + \lambda)^{1+x-\eta(E)} - 1 \right), 1 \right\}, 0 \right\}$

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$$\gamma_E(x) = \varepsilon_0(x - \eta(E))$$

is a universal  $\tau_T$ -submeasure.

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## Universal probabilistic submeasures

### Problem

Characterize a class of all universal probabilistic submeasures!

– to find a function  $f : [0, +\infty[ \times ]0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, 1]$  satisfying the following properties:

(a')  $f(0, x) = 1$  for all  $x > 0$ ;

(b')  $f(a, x)$  is non-increasing in its first and non-decreasing in its second component;

(c')  $f$  is a solution of the functional inequality

$$f(a + b, x + y) \geq \min\{f(a, x), f(b, y)\},$$

for all  $a, b \geq 0, x, y > 0$ .

## Constructing universal $\tau_T$ -submeasures

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$$\gamma_A(\mathbf{x}) = \Phi \left( \frac{c\mathbf{x}}{\eta(A)} \right), \quad c > 0, \mathbf{x} > 0,$$

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### Examples:

- (i)  $\gamma_E(\mathbf{x}) = 1$  corresponds to  $\Phi(z) = \varepsilon_0(z)$
- (ii)  $\gamma_E(\mathbf{x}) = \min\{\frac{c\mathbf{x}}{\eta(A)}, 1\}$ ,  $c > 0$ , corresponds to a distribution function of random variable uniformly distributed over  $[0, 1]$
- (iii)

$$\Phi(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{z}{1+z}, & z \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \dots \quad \gamma_E(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{c\mathbf{x}}{c\mathbf{x} + \eta(A)}, \quad c > 0$$

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$$\gamma_E(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } \mathbf{x} \leq 0, \\ 1/2 & \text{for } \mathbf{x} \in ]0, \eta(E)]; \\ 1 & \text{for } \mathbf{x} > \eta(E), \end{cases}$$



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## Aggregations of probabilistic submeasures

### Aggregation of $\tau_T$ -submeasures I

Let  $T$  be a continuous Archimedean t-norm with an additive generator  $t$ , let  $\gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \gamma^{(n)}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , be  $\tau_T$ -submeasures, and  $H : \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [0, 1]^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be an aggregation function. If there exists a subadditive aggregation function  $K : \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [0, t(0)]^n \rightarrow [0, t(0)]$  such that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and for all  $x_i \in [0, 1]$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,

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**Example:** For the strongest subadditive aggregation function  $K : \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} [0, t(0)]^n \rightarrow [0, t(0)]$  given by

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the condition

$$t(H(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)) = K(t(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, t(\mathbf{x}_n))$$

is fulfilled if and only if  $H$  is the weakest aggregation function

$$H_w(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \begin{cases} 1, & \mathbf{x}_1 = \dots = \mathbf{x}_n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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### Problem

Characterize the class of mappings (aggregation functions) which preserve the class of  $\tau_T$ -submeasures for a fixed  $T$ !