

# Semantic Interpretation of Intermediate Quantifiers and Their Syllogisms with Non-trivial Conclusions

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# Outline

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## What is a classical syllogism?

### Definition of classical syllogism.

- A **classical syllogism** denoted by  $\langle P_1, P_2, C \rangle$  is a kind of logical argument in which the *conclusion*  $C$  is inferred from two *premises* — *major*  $P_1$  and *minor*  $P_2$ .

### Aristotle's syllogisms.

- All Aristotle's syllogisms work with the classical quantifiers “All”, “No”, “Some”.

### Intermediate syllogisms.

- By **intermediate syllogism** we mean traditional syllogism where we replace one or more of its formulas with some containing **intermediate quantifiers**.
- “Almost all”, “Most”, “Many”.

## Classification of syllogisms

Suppose that  $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3$  are intermediate quantifiers and  $X, Y, M$  are formulas.

Figure I

$$Q_1 X \text{ is } M$$

$$Q_2 M \text{ is } Y$$


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$$Q_3 X \text{ is } Y$$

Figure II

$$Q_1 Y \text{ is } M$$

$$Q_2 X \text{ is } M$$


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Figure III

$$Q_1 M \text{ is } Y$$

$$Q_2 M \text{ is } X$$


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Figure IV

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## Classification of syllogisms

If we work with **five basic** intermediate quantifiers (“All”, “Almost all”, “Most”, “Many” and “Some”) we obtain more than 2000 possibilities of syllogisms.

### Valid syllogisms

- **24** Aristotle's syllogisms are valid.
- **81+24** Intermediate syllogisms are valid.
- We **syntactically** verified the validity of all 105 syllogisms in the theory of intermediate quantifiers.

## Examples of Syllogisms of Figure-I

### Barbara-AAA-I

$P_1$ : All Greeks are men.

$P_2$ : All men are mortal.

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C: All Greeks are mortal.

### AAT-I

$P_1$ : All Greeks are men.

$P_2$ : All men are mortal.

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C: Most Greeks are mortal.

## Examples of Syllogisms of Figure-I

### One premise is an universal-TAT-I

$P_1$ : Most Greeks are men.

$P_2$ : All men are mortal.

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C: Most Greeks are mortal.

### Both premises are non-universal

$P_1$ : Most Greeks are men.

$P_2$ : Most men are mortal.

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C: ????? Greeks are mortal.

## *Relationships with other authors*

- These syllogisms were studied by Zadeh's, Peterson's, Dubois's, Fariña and many others.
- Peterson verified the validity using **Venn Diagram** but only for particular conclusion (**Some**).
- Other authors **semantically** verified (with special assumptions) the validity of this syllogism with **non-trivial conclusion**.
- We proposed mathematical formal system which is **higher order fuzzy logic**, namely Łukasiewicz fuzzy type theory, based on Łukasiewicz MV-algebra.
- The main idea is to use formal mathematical system and **syntactically and semantically** verify the validity of this syllogism.



## Formal mathematical system

- We have **four** figures and it means that we have **105** intermediate generalized syllogisms which are **valid**.
- We proposed mathematical formal system which is higher order fuzzy logic, namely Łukasiewicz fuzzy type theory, based on Łukasiewicz MV-algebra.
- We developed the theory of **intermediate quantifiers** which has 17 axioms and two deduction rules.

## Definition of intermediate generalized quantifiers

We can define all intermediate quantifiers in higher order fuzzy logic as follows:

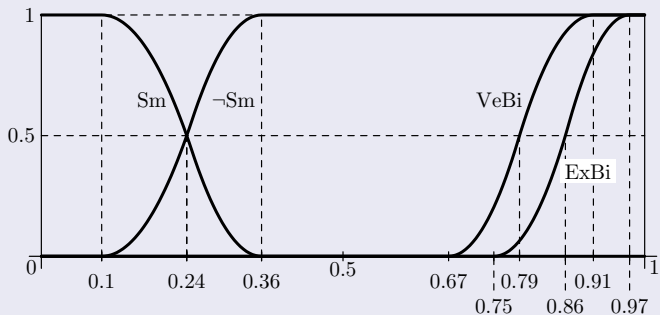
### Explanation of definition of IGQ

$$\underbrace{(\exists z)((\Delta(z \subseteq B))}_{\text{"the greatest" part of } B\text{'s}} \quad \& \quad \underbrace{(\forall x)(z, x \Rightarrow Ax))}_{\text{each } z\text{'s has } A} \quad \wedge \quad \underbrace{Ev((\mu B)z))}_{\text{size of } z \text{ is evaluated by } Ev} \quad (1)$$

We can define the intermediate quantifiers **Almost all, Most, Many, Few**.

# Illustration of interpretation evaluative expressions

## Extensions of evaluative expressions



Shapes of extensions of evaluative expressions in the context  $\langle 0, 0.5, 1 \rangle$

## Validity of syllogism

### Syntactical definition

- The syllogism is **valid** if  $T^{IQ} \vdash P_1 \ \& \ P_2 \Rightarrow C$ , or equivalently, if  $T^{IQ} \vdash P_1 \Rightarrow (P_2 \Rightarrow C)$ .

### Semantical definition

- The syllogism is **valid** in the theory  $T^{IQ}$  if there is a **model**  $\mathcal{M} \models T^{IQ}$  such that  $\mathcal{M}(P_1) \otimes \mathcal{M}(P_2) \leq \mathcal{M}(C)$ .

## Examples of Syllogisms of Figure-I

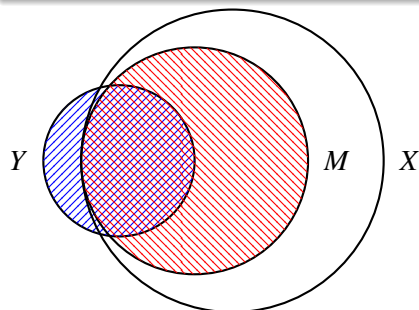
### One premise is an universal

$P_1$ : Most Greeks (Y) are men (M).

$P_2$ : All men (M) are mortal (X).

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C: Most Greeks (Y) are mortal (X).



valid in every model.

This syllogism is strongly

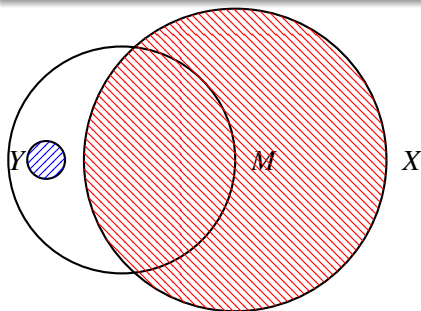
## Examples of Syllogisms of Figure-I

### Both premises are intermediate

$P_1$ : Most Greeks (Y) are men (M).

$P_2$ : Most men (M) are mortal (X).

C: Many Greeks (Y) are mortal (X).



If  $\mathcal{M}(P_1) = 1$  and  $\mathcal{M}(P_2) = 1$  then  $\mathcal{M}(C) < 1$ . It means that this syllogism is **invalid**.

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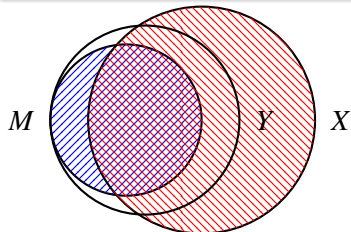
Let  $M \subseteq Y$ .

### Both premises are intermediate

$P_1$ : Most Greeks (Y) are men (M).

$P_2$ : Most men (M) are mortal (X).

C: **Many, Some** Greeks (Y) are mortal (X).



## Results

### Syntactical

Let  $T^{IQ}$  be a theory. Let  $X, Y, M$  be a normal fuzzy sets such that  $M \subseteq Y$ . Then the following syllogism is strongly valid in  $T^{IQ}$ .

$P_1$ : **Most** Greeks (Y) are men (M).

$P_2$ : **Most** men (M) are mortal (X).

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C: **Some** Greeks (Y) are mortal (X).

The syllogism is as follows:

$$P_1 : (\exists z)((\Delta z \subseteq Y) \& (\forall x)(zx \Rightarrow Mx) \wedge (\mathbf{Bi\ Ve})((\mu Y)z)).$$

$$P_2 : (\exists z')((\Delta z' \subseteq M) \& (\forall x)(z'x \Rightarrow Xx) \wedge (\mathbf{Bi\ Ve})((\mu M)z')).$$


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$$C : (\exists x)(Yx \wedge Xx).$$

It means that we know find the proof of the formula

$$T^{IQ} \vdash P_1 \& P_2 \Rightarrow C.$$



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$P_1$ : **Most** Greeks ( $Y$ ) are men ( $M$ ).

$P_2$ : **Most** men ( $M$ ) are mortal ( $X$ ).

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$C$ : **Many** Greeks ( $Y$ ) are mortal ( $X$ ).

It means that if  $\mathcal{M}(P_1) = a$  and  $\mathcal{M}(P_2) = b$  then  $a \otimes b \leq c = \mathcal{M}(C)$ .

## Example of Syllogism of Figure-I

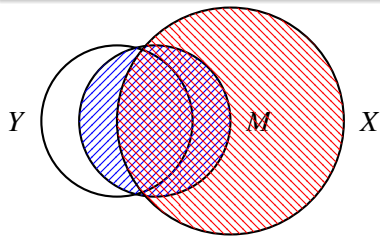
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- $T^{IQ} \vdash \neg Sm \nu \mu_Y(X \cap M \cap Y)$

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## Conclusions

- We introduced **formal mathematical theory** of intermediate quantifiers using Łukasiewicz fuzzy type theory.
- We proposed the definitions of **intermediate quantifiers** in our theory.
- We analyzed the syllogisms with intermediate quantifiers in both premises with non-particular conclusion.
- Construct **non-finite** models in the theory of intermediate quantifiers and analyze other type of syllogisms with intermediate quantifiers.

Thank You for Your Attention.