An analytic logic of aggregation

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Hierarchy



Agreement



Subordination



Basic Preference Logic

 Start with a basic preference order ≤ (reflexive and transitive) over a set of objects (or states):



Basic Preference Logic $\mathfrak{M}, \blacksquare \models \diamondsuit^{\leq} \varphi$ $\mathfrak{M}, \bigstar \models \diamondsuit^{<} \varphi$ $\mathfrak{M}, \supseteq \models \diamondsuit^{<} \varphi$



- Are stars preferred to squares?
- Is red preferred to yellow?



- Existential modality:
 - $-\mathfrak{M}, u \models E\varphi \quad \text{iff} \quad \exists v : \mathfrak{M}, v \models \varphi$ $-U\varphi \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \neg E \neg \varphi$







Aggregation Logic

- Language: $p \in \text{PROP}, i \in \text{NOM}, a \in \text{AGE}$
 - $\varphi := p | \mathbf{i} | \neg \varphi | \varphi \lor \varphi | \langle t \rangle^{\leq} \varphi | \langle t \rangle^{<} \varphi | \mathbf{E} \varphi$ $t := a | \mathbf{t} | | \mathbf{t} | \mathbf{t} / \mathbf{t}$
- Models: $\mathfrak{M} = \langle W, I, V \rangle$
 - $I(a) = \leq_a$ $- \langle u, v \rangle \in I^{<}(t) \Leftrightarrow \langle u, v \rangle \in I(t) \& \langle v, u \rangle \notin I(t)$ $- I(t_1 \parallel t_2) = I(t_1) \cap I(t_2)$ $- I(t_1/t_2) = (I(t_1) \cap I(t_2)) \cup I^{<}(t_1)$

Semantics

- $\mathfrak{M}, u \models \langle t \rangle^{\leq} \varphi$ iff $\exists v : uI(t)v \& \mathfrak{M}, v \models \varphi$
 - There is a state at least as good as the current state where φ holds.
- $\mathfrak{M}, u \models \langle t \rangle^{<} \varphi$ iff $\exists v : uI^{<}(t)v \& \mathfrak{M}, v \models \varphi$
 - There is a state strictly better than the current state where φ holds.
- $\mathfrak{M}, u \models E\varphi$ iff $\exists v : \mathfrak{M}, v \models \varphi$

Aggregation Logic $\mathfrak{M}, \square \models \langle 1 \parallel 2 \rangle^{\leq} \varphi$ $\mathfrak{M}, \bigstar \models \langle 1/2 \rangle^{<} \psi$ $\mathfrak{M}, \bigstar \not\models \langle 1/2 \rangle^{<} \psi$







Which aggregation operators can we represent?

Lexicographic (re)ordering







match before **t**



Can we get rid of hierarchies?

Arrow's Theorem



Axiomatization

- Basic Hybrid logic
- Preference axioms, $M \in \{\langle t \rangle^{\leq}, \langle t \rangle^{<}, E\}$

$$\begin{split} &\vdash i \to Mi \\ &\vdash MMi \to Mi \\ &\vdash i \to (\langle t \rangle^{<} \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle t \rangle^{\leq} (\varphi \land \neg \langle t \rangle^{\leq} i)) \end{split}$$

Aggregation axioms

 $\vdash \langle t_1 \parallel t_2 \rangle^{\leq i} \leftrightarrow \langle t_1 \rangle^{\leq i} \wedge \langle t_2 \rangle^{\leq i} \\ \vdash i \rightarrow (\langle t_1/t_2 \rangle^{\leq j} \leftrightarrow ((\langle t_1 \rangle^{\leq j} \wedge \langle t_2 \rangle^{\leq j}) \vee \langle t_1 \rangle^{\leq i})))$

$$\begin{split} & \frac{k:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}i,k:\langle t_2\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta}{k:\langle t_1\parallel t_2\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta}\parallel L\\ & \frac{K:\langle t_1\parallel t_2\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_2\rangle^{\leq}i}\parallel R\\ & \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}i\quad\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_2\rangle^{\leq}i}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_1\parallel t_2\rangle^{\leq}i}\parallel R\\ & \frac{k:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}i,k:\langle t_2\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta\quad k:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,i:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}k}{k:\langle t_1/t_2\rangle^{\leq}i,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta} \ & \frac{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}i\quad i:\langle t_1\rangle^{\leq}k,\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_2\rangle^{\leq}i}{\Gamma\Rightarrow\Delta,k:\langle t_1/t_2\rangle^{\leq}i} \ \end{split}$$