

Refutation of a modal aleatoric calculus for probabilistic reasoning: extended version

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Abstract: We evaluate a modal aleatoric calculus for probabilistic reasoning using the assumption of probabilistic definitions as $P(\neg\alpha) = 1 - P(\alpha)$. Five equations in Lemma 1 and its argument are tested. All equations are *not* tautologous, hence refuting the calculus.

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/VL4 with Tautology as the designated *proof* value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). For results, the 16-valued truth table is row-major and horizontal, or repeating fragments of 128-tables, sometimes with table counts, for more variables. (See ersatz-systems.com.)

LET p, q, r, s : P, x, y, z ;
 \sim Not, \neg ; $+$ Or, \vee, \cup ; $-$ Not Or; $\&$ And, \wedge, \cap ; \setminus Not And;
 $>$ Imply, greater than, \rightarrow, \vdash ; $<$ Not Imply, less than, \in
 $=$ Equivalent, \equiv, \vDash , $@$ Not Equivalent, \neq ;
 $\%$ possibility, for one or some, \exists, \diamond, M ; $\#$ necessity, for every or all, \forall, \square, L ;
 $(p=p)$ **T** as tautology; $(p@p)$ **F** as contradiction;
 $(\%p\<\#p)$ **C** as contingency, Δ ; $(\%p\>\#p)$ **N** as non-contingency, ∇ ;
 $\sim(y < x)$ ($x \leq y$), ($x \subseteq y$).

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$$P(\neg\alpha) = 1 - P(\alpha), \text{ where } \alpha = q, r, s \quad (0.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(((p\&\sim q)=((\%p\>\#p)-(p\&q)))\&((p\&\sim r)=((\%p\>\#p)-(p\&r))))\&((p\&\sim s)= \\ &((\%p\>\#p)-(p\&s)))) ; \quad \text{NCNC NCNC NCNC NCNT} \end{aligned} \quad (0.2)$$

Lemma 1.

$$1 - P(x)P(y) - P(\neg x)P(z) \quad (2.1)$$

$$(\%p\>\#p) - ((q\&r) - (\sim q\&s)) ; \quad \mathbf{FFFF FFCC CCFE CCCC} \quad (2.2)$$

$$1 - P(x)(1 - P(\neg y)) - P(\neg x)(1 - P(\neg z)) \quad (3.1)$$

$$(\%p\>\#p) - (((p\&q)\&((\%p\>\#p)-(p\&\sim r))) - ((p\&\sim q)\&((\%p\>\#p)-(p\&\sim s)))) ; \quad \mathbf{FFFF FFEC FCFE FCFE} \quad (3.2)$$

$$1 - P(x) + P(x)P(\neg y) - P(\neg x) + P(\neg x)P(\neg z) \quad (4.1)$$

$$(\%p\>\#p) - (((p\&q) + ((p\&q)\&(p\&\sim r))) - ((p\&\sim q) + ((p\&\sim q)\&(p\&\sim s)))) ; \quad \mathbf{FCFC FCFC FCFC FCFC} \quad (4.2)$$

$$P(x)P(\neg y) + P(\neg x)P(\neg z) \tag{5.1}$$

$$(q \& \sim r) + (\sim q \& s) ; \quad \mathbf{FFTT \ FFFF \ TTTT \ TTTF} \tag{5.2}$$

The main argument of Lemma 1 is that if Eq. 0.1, then 2.1 = 3.1 = 4.1 = 5.1. (6.1)

$$\begin{aligned} & (((p \& \sim q) = ((\%p > \#p) - (p \& q))) \& ((p \& \sim r) = ((\%p > \#p) - (p \& r)))) \& ((p \& \sim s) = \\ & ((\%p > \#p) - (p \& s)))) > (((\%p > \#p) - ((q \& r) - (\sim q \& s))) = \\ & ((\%p > \#p) - (((p \& q) \& ((\%p > \#p) - (p \& \sim r))) - ((p \& \sim q) \& ((\%p > \#p) - (p \& \sim s)))))) = \\ & (((\%p > \#p) - ((p \& q) + ((p \& q) \& (p \& \sim r))) - ((p \& \sim q) + ((p \& \sim q) \& (p \& \sim s)))) = \\ & ((q \& \sim r) + (\sim q \& s))) ; \quad \mathbf{TNCT \ TNTN \ CTCT \ CTTN} \tag{6.2} \end{aligned}$$

Eqs. 0.2 and 2.2-5.2 are *not* tautologous. Lemma 1 as 6.2 is also *not* tautologous. This refutes a modal aleatoric calculus for probabilistic reasoning. We stop analysis after Lemma 1.